CORNWALL TOWN
REPORT 2017 - 2018
WELCOME

Valentina Francesca Aguilar
Eliana Lyn Aylmer
Remy Meneau Boynton
Greyson Stephen Bronson
Grayson Louis Dinneen
Rohan Raj Gala
Thomas James Garofano III

Foster Doskow Mejia
Mia Grace Mollica
Pierce Ryan Thompson

Source: Town Clerk records and the Cornwall Chronicle

Note: bold names were omitted last year in error
FOND ADIEU, SALUTE

Frank H. Bailey          Anne Hammes Baren
Gregory Thomas Brennan   Nikolaus H. Brinkama
Megan McCue Butler       Lynn Harrison Cheney
Karen Jean Coleman South Norman Dorsen
Richard Frank            Jacek Galazka
John R. Glover           Peter M. Gorat, Sr.
David Grossman           Ralph Gulliver, Jr.
Bryon Hall               Curt Hanson
Paula V. Holmes           Tom Hubbard
George Kittle             George Labalme, Jr.
Priscilla Hart Mauro     Andrew Nixon
Florence K. Norkin       Glenn O’Brien
Evelyn N. Peschko        Joan Frances Piker
Bob Potter               Marie Prentice
Ronald Rapp              Katherine G. Ridgway
Martha “Marty” Rubin     Thalia Scoville
Lee Taliaferro           Frank H. Tansey
Frederieke Sanders Taylor Pamela Towill
Tandy Nuese Van Doren    Amy Whitcomb
Forrest “Woody” Woodman  John “Zabby” Zabriskie
Paulette L. Zabriskie

Source: Town Clerk records and the Cornwall Chronicle
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Covered Bridge

wooden floor boards
Agricultural Advisory Commission
Garrick Dinneen
CHM William Dinneen, Jr.
Chris Hopkins
Wendy Kennedy
Jennifer Larson
Ted Larson
Gordon M. Ridgway
Brian Saccardi
Susan Saccardi
Lynn Scoville
Hunt Williams

Animal Control Officer
Bradford Hedden 672-2917
Asst. Jack Malahan 672-6230

Assessor
Barbara Bigos 672-2703
JoAnne Dodge

OFFICE HOURS:
Wed 9-3
Tues & Thurs, 12:30-3:30

Board of Education
Marina Kotchoubey ’19
Tracy Gray ’19
Dave Cadwell ’21
CHM Catherine Tatge ’21
Catherine Hosterman ’19
Emilie Pryor ’21

CLERK: Anne Kosciusko
672-2939

REP. TO DVRHS BOARD:
John Sanders ’18

Board of Finance
Lisa Lansing Simont ’21
William Hurlburt ’19
CHM John LaPorta ’21
Janet Carlson ’19
David Hubbard ’23
Joseph Pryor ’23

ALTERNATES:
Kenneth C. Baird ’19
Darilyn Woods ’19

CLERK: Barbara Herbst

Board of Selectmen
FIRST SELECTMAN:
Gordon M. Ridgway ’19

SELECTMEN:
Priscilla Pavel ’19
Richard Bramley ’19

CLERK: Joyce Hart
Tel. 672-4959
FAX 672-4068
cwlselectmen@optonline.net

Board of Assessment
Applies
Blaine Matthews ’19
CHM Roger L. Kane ’19
David Samson ’21

Building Code Appeals
David Williamson 672-4959

Building Official
Paul Prindle 672-0711
HOURS: 8:00-9:00 am

Emergency Management Director
Terence Burke
Marc D. Simont, Asst.
John Behans, Asst.

Conservation Commission
Vacancy ’17
Vacancy ’19

CHM Patrick Mulberry ’18
Debbie Bennett ’18
Vacancy ’19
Kate Freygang ’20

Cornwall Grange #32 Trust Fund
Wendy Kennedy ’18
Debra Tyler ’19
Susan Saccardi ’20

Cornwall Volunteer Fire Department
PRES: Anne Kosciusko
CHIEF: Fred Scoville III
Rescue Capt. Zack Sawicki
(For a list of volunteers, see p. 42)

Demolition Officer
Paul Prindle 672-0711
HOURS: 8:00-9:00 am

Fire Marshal
Stanley MacMillan
364-0909
Deputy: Timothy Limbos
Charles Carlton Jr.
Robert Norton

Historian
Dorothy Clarke-Wolfe ’18

Housatonic River Commission
Philip W. Hart ’20
ALT Barton Jones ’18

Highway Department
FOREMAN:
James Vanicky
CREW:
John A. Malahan, Jr.
Allyn H. Hurlburt III
Fred Scoville II
Town Garage: 672-6230

Inland Wetlands and Water Courses
Agency
CHM D. Stevenson Hedden ’19
William J. Hurlburt ’19
Adam Fischer ’19
Andrew MacDavid ’19
Roger Kane ’19

ALTERNATES:
Peter Demy ’19
Debbie Bennett ’19
Judge of Probate
Diane Blick 860-824-7012
LITCHFIELD HILLS PROBATE COURT, DISTRICT 24

Justices of the Peace '21
Kenneth C. Baird
Dave Cadwell
Gordon Scott Cady
Nita Colgate
Margaret Cooley
B. Daniel Evans
Mark Hampson
Allen G. Herkimer II
Judith A. Herkimer
Carl Hermann
Lisa Lansing Simont
Peter Kalmes
Dominique Lasseur
Phyllis Nauts
Priscilla Pavel
Ann M. Schilling
Julia Mary Scott
Debra Tyler
Katherine West
Phillip Rollin West
Barbara S. Yohe

Cream Hill Lake Study Group
Ivan Miller '20
Betty Spence '20
Heidi Cunnick '20
Nancy Berry '20
Richard Griggs '20

Hammond Beach Advisory
Marci Silverman
Rachel Matsudaira
Raymonde Burke
Martha Lane
Janet Carlson

Land Use Administration
Karen Griswold-Nelson
Administrator ZEO and Clerk
HOURS: Tues. & Thurs 9-12
860-672-4957
See Planning & Zoning, Zoning Board of Appeals and Inland Wetlands Agency

Municipal Agent On Aging
Jane Muir Sellery 672-2603
HOURS: By appointment
Food Pantry - see page 34

Economic Development Commission
Vacancy '18
Kathryn Sandmeyer Ward '18
Richard Bramley '19
Bianka Griggs '19
Todd Piker '20
Simon Hewett '20
Richard Sears '17
Priscilla Pavel '18
CHM Janet Carlson Sanders '18
Jacque Schiller '19

Northwest Regional Tourism
Vacancy '18

Northwest Regional Mental Health
Kimberly Sullivan '18
Town Office Hours
Monday - Thursday
9 to noon and 1-4 PM
unless otherwise noted

Park and Recreation Commission
Rocco Botto '19
Vacancy '17
Elizabeth Mitchell '17
Stephen Saccardi '17
CHM John Sanders '19
Johan Winsser '19
Thomas Juliano '19
Melissa Bronson '17

ALTERNATES:
Vacancy '17
Erica Joncyk '18

DIRECTOR:
Jennifer Markow
672-4071
Mon & Wed 9-12

Hammond Beach
DIRECTOR: Marina Kotchoubey

Planning and Zoning Commission
Stephen Saccardi '19
Anna Timell '23
CHM David Colbert '19
James LaPorta '21
Jill Cutler '23
Peter Kalmes '21

ALTERNATES:
Phil West '23
Benjamin Gray, Jr. '21
Virginia Potter '19

Social Services Administrator
Jane Muir Sellery 672-2603

Recycling Coordinator
Ted Larson 672-4079

Registars of Voters
Republican
Cara Y Weigold '19
Democrat
Jayne W. Ridgway '19
672-6183 or 672-0279 respectively.

Sydney M. Kaye Fund Advisory Committee
Vacancy '17
Lynn Scoville '19
Virginia Potter '20

Tax Collector
Jean Bouteiller '19
672-2705
Monday 1-4
Wednesday 9-12/1-4

Torrington Area Health District
Representative
Thomas Juliano '19
489-0436

Town Clerk
Vera L. Dinneen '20
672-2709
Town Office Hours

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERKS:
Karen Griswold-Nelson
Jennifer Kenniston-Larson

Treasurer
John F. Green '19

Finance Office
Barbara Herbst 672-2707
Mon/Thurs 9:00-5:00
Tues/Wed 8:30-12:30

Tree Warden:
Fred Scoville III '19
Bruce Bennett, Asst. '19

Zoning Board of Appeals
Vacancy '21
Ann M. Schillinger '19
Ian Elwell '23
Betty Spence '21
CHM Don Bardot '19
Amy Worthington-Cady '23

ALTERNATES:
Fred Scoville '20
Joanne Wojtusiak '18
Vacancy '16

Sanitary Transfer Station
Manager: Ted Larson
Assistant: Thomas Juliano
Furnace Brook Road (672-4079)
For additional information, see back cover

Civic Organizations

Cornwall Child Center
Cream Hill Road, West Cornwall
DIRECTOR: Amy C. Martinez
672-6989

Cornwall Historical Society
7 Pine Street, Cornwall Village
PRESIDENT: Lisa Lansing Simont
HOURS:
Sat, 10 am-4 pm and
Holiday Mondays 1-4 pm
Otherwise by appointment, call 672-0505

Cornwall Housing Corporation
PRESIDENT: Maggie Cooley

Cornwall Library
30 Pine Street, Cornwall Village
DIRECTOR: Margaret Haske Hare
HOURS
Tues, Thurs, Fri, 10 am-5 pm.
Wed. Noon-7 pm. Sat 10 am-2 pm.

Hughes Memorial Library
Lower River Road, West Cornwall
PRESIDENT: Jerome Doolittle
672-6374
HOURS
Friday, 4-7 pm;
Saturday 9:30 am-12:30 pm

For more civic organizations, go to
www.cornwallct.org
It was another active year for the ACO. Topping the numbers list again this year is the bear, with 43 calls. Following that are six dogs, four skunks, four raccoons, two birds, two porcupines, one cat and one squirrel.

Please remember to license your dog aged six months or older. Licensed dogs that get lost get home faster with a license tag. The delinquent dog license list is posted outside of the Town Clerk's office. If you think your dog may need a new license, you may check that list. You may also check with Vera. She would be happy to help you rectify your dog licensing issues.

Respectfully submitted,

Brad Hedden
Cornwall ACO
Town Meeting Votes – An Abstract

Annual Town Meeting Held October 27, 2017

Voted: To receive reports of the officers, boards and commissions having reports to make.

Voted: To adopt the Five Year Capital Plan for the Town of Cornwall as recommended by the Board of Finance and the Board of Selectmen.

Voted: To amend the Ordinance regarding the Park and Recreation Commission to provide that after the terms of elected commissioners expire, that therefore those commissioners and two alternates shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen to either a one or two-year term so that four members’ terms and one alternate’s term shall expire every two years.

Annual Budget Town Meeting Held May 19, 2018

Voted: To adopt the proposed budget for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019 as recommended by the Board of Finance.

Voted: Upon recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance to act on the proposal to appropriate up to $40,000 from Town general fund balance to buy a used road grader.

Voted: Upon the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance to spend up to $35,000 of the Gates Bequest to purchase new docks for the Hammond Beach on Cream Hill Lake.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vera L. Dinneen
Town Clerk
Dear Cornwall Residents:

2017/2018 was another busy year in Cornwall with the Board of Selectmen meeting 31 times. A variety of issues were addressed as the Town constructed a bridge to the future.

There was a lot of bridge construction including a new bridge on Flat Rocks Road, repair of the West Cornwall Covered Bridge and the replacement of bridges at Smith Place and the Gravel Bank. The highway department sealed and paved roads in East Cornwall. Three big snowstorms in March kept the plows sharp and drivers constantly busy.

After a previously dry summer, the Town installed a fire hydrant in Cornwall Bridge to help with water supply. A new large tanker was purchased for $380,000 to deliver more water on wheels to fire scenes. The ambulance certification changed from Advanced Life Support to Basic Life Support. The ambulance squad continues its excellent coverage. A Building Committee was formed to plan upgrades to the West Cornwall Firehouse. Forms for Reflective 911 Number Signs to post at your driveway are available at the Selectmen’s office.

The Town welcomed expansion and renewal of several important businesses including Pearly’s Farmhouse Café, the Trinity Retreat Center in West Cornwall and Northeast Building Supply in Cornwall Bridge. A visitor kiosk was installed at the Cornwall Country Market by the Economic Development Commission.

During July and August 2017 the Board welcomed Dean Saccardi as an intern. Two projects he worked on have borne fruit. The Connecticut Conference of Municipalities Prescription Discount Card Program offers savings on prescription medications. Cards are now available at Town Hall. Also his work on challenges facing area youth has been useful to the continuing dialogue and efforts to address the changing demographics of Cornwall.

The Board salutes the efforts of the Planning and Zoning Commission to engage residents in addressing issues concerning Cornwall’s future as part of the process to rework the Plan of Conservation and Development. The Board regularly attended meetings of the West Cornwall Water/Septic Study Group and encouraged NWConnect’s efforts to expand high speed internet access regionally.

The Board again thanks the many volunteers who help make Cornwall a very special place to live.

Gordon M. Ridgway, First Selectman

Richard Bramley, Selectman

Priscilla Pavel, Selectman
# TOWN OF CORNWALL

## PROPOSED CAPITAL PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS 2018 – 2022

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<td>Cornwall Consolidated School (now Flat Rocks)</td>
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<td>CVFD Truck Fund (3-0)</td>
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<td>Town Buildings</td>
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<td>Highway Truck: (was replace- #10 or #6 ) (now Payloader)</td>
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<td>Highway Equipment (Trk #6)</td>
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Approved Board of Selectmen: 10/4/2016
Approved Board of Finance: 11/16/2016
Approved Town Meeting: 10/27/2016

* Assumes financing the majority of expense through bonding.
The Cornwall Board of Finance met 13 times during the fiscal year. Minutes for all Board of Finance Meetings can be found on the Cornwall web site; www.cornwallct.org.

During the fiscal year, six budget transfers were approved. One budget transfer was within capital projects and facilitated the completion of the new Hammond Beach Docks. The other five were administrative and routine, moving funds from unexpended lines to lines that were slightly over budget as a result of providing expanded services. Contingency was utilized to cover a $28,000 engine rebuilding expense for HWY truck #10.

The budget process remained consistent with prior years and the final result was passed by a majority vote at the Town Meeting in May. The FY 2018-2019 budget is available for viewing at www.cornwallct.org or copies may be requested from the Finance office by calling 860-672-2707 or emailing cwlfinance@optonline.net.

At the March 15th 2018 meeting, the Board of Finance made a request of the Board of Selectmen to provide an inventory of all town buildings. The request was for a formal report that includes all Town buildings, all items that need to be repaired, a schedule for continued maintenance and the estimated costs associated with each. This report is expected to provide a benchmark for Capital planning and spending in regard to Town buildings.

Thank-you is due to all of the Cornwall boards and commissions for their efforts to keep costs stable for the coming fiscal year, and to our tax collector, Jean Bouteiller, whose dedicated work has kept collections near the 100% mark. Our fiscal health, as documented in the Management Discussion and Analysis included in the back of this report, remains exceptional in this continued period of economic uncertainty.

John LaPorta, Chairman
Joseph Pryor
William Hurlburt
K.C. Baird, Alternate
Lisa Lansing, Vice Chairman
David J. Hubbard
Janet Sanders
Darilyn Woods, Alternate

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 6/30/2018

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<td>Revenues</td>
<td>7,300,645</td>
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<td>Expenses</td>
<td>7,144,734</td>
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<td>Change in net position</td>
<td>155,911</td>
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Net position, beginning of year 9,333,845
Net position, end of year 9,489,756
Assessor’s Office

Barbara Bigos, Assessor
JoAnne Dodge, Associate Assessor
Tues and Thurs 12:30 p.m.- 3:30 p.m. Wed 9 a.m.- 3 p.m.
860-672-2703 cwlassessor@optonline.net

I continue to work from both Cornwall and Florida throughout the year. Because I have a wonderful assistant this plan seems to be working very well for the Town. I am always available through my assistant, JoAnne.

Although real estate is the bulk of our work, the office serves many other functions:

- We assist realtors, appraisers, surveyors, title searchers, attorneys, and property owners with a variety of questions and projects.
- We discover, value and list motor vehicles and commercial machinery and equipment as well as real estate.
- We administer tax relief programs for certain low income or disabled home owners and renters.
- We administer tax relief for the blind, disabled, and veterans.
- We process all filed deeds and surveys.
- We approve and monitor the farm, forest, tax relief, and tax-exempt programs.
- We review all building permits and zoning permits for property changes.
- We monitor all real estate websites to make sure that our information is accurate and to be aware of what is on the market and what is selling.
- We process many State reports monthly for the Office of Policy and Management.

WE ARE NEVER BORED

But most often, the best part of our day is when we are able to help a resident or property owner solve a problem.
As its name implies, the Board of Assessment Appeals is the body that hears and decides upon appeals related to assessment matters. Assessment appeals must be filed in accordance with CGS §12-111. Once the Board of Assessment Appeals adjudicates the assessment appeals brought before it, the taxing jurisdiction’s property tax rate is determined.
Building Official

Trinity Retreat Center has completed its first major renovation and continues to improve its campus.

For only the second time in my nearly 20 years in Cornwall, there have been no new single family dwelling starts.

The following is a ten year comparison of construction activity in the Town of Cornwall:

<table>
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<th>Fiscal Year</th>
<th>No. Permits</th>
<th>New Dwellings</th>
<th>Construction Value</th>
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<td>10/11</td>
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<td>376</td>
<td>2 (10)*</td>
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*The ten-unit affordable elderly housing complex “Bonney Brook” continues to be fully occupied and operate smoothly.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul R. Prindle
Building Official
Cornwall Energy Task Force Annual Report 2018
with SustainableCT

Cornwall Energy Task Force supports our commitment to energy conservation and clean energy. We provide educational materials and public events, reports in local publications, and a consistent presence at town events to present innovative ideas. We present programs and incentives by government and other organizations and make recommendations to selectmen, educators, businesses, and residents. We have currently joined forces with the Cornwall Conservation Commission.

In 2016, our Green Fair with the Cornwall Association helped us relate the key issues of land, water, housing, and energy management. CETF then broadened to include sustainability actions recommended by SustainableCT.org. This program comes from a statewide culling of best practices. SustainableCT ‘supports communities to become more vibrant, connected, safe, resilient, efficient, and livable’ with ‘actions, resources, technical assistance, peer learning and recognition’. It addresses housing, economic development, public services, planning, infrastructure, arts, and culture, and natural resources. Cornwall showcased its Farmers’ Markets, Energy Projects, Arts and Culture, Land Conservation, and Community Communication. Meanwhile, we are developing other strengths such as Farm Friendly Practices, Sustainability in our POCD, Arts and Culture in the CCS Curriculum, Forest Management, and Low Impact Development. Thanks to all who are working these strategies. Much more to come...

Here are the updates for our ongoing programs:

**Greening Municipal Buildings:** Our selectmen are using the Eversource ASHRAE town audit award to institute improvements to seven town buildings to help us target deep retrofits.

**Home Energy Solutions, the Small Business Energy Audits:** Despite CT’s budget woes, the SBEA and HES audits by CRI are still available for a fee. They recommend incentives and rebates for savings in a customized report for each homeowner that saves and average home $500/yr. Income Eligible HES audits are available free to homes with an annual income of $44,941 for two people, or $66,089 for four.

**The Cornwall Fuel Oil Group** is in its eighth year. We represent homes, and offices to obtain reduced pricing on heating oil, saving $400-1000 gal (average bldg). Bantam-Wesson Fuel provided the lowest qualified bid with three pricing options: floating, capped or fixed at $2.52/gallon. Last winter the merger between Bantam and Wesson caused delivery problems. It was a mess. The main problem was that all computations for usage were based on Waterbury temperatures (which are higher) so a few ran out and the phones were inadequate. This has been corrected with a computation contractor and a new office for 15 telephone operators for service calls. They also provide a smart phone reporting option and the highest level of standard bio-fuel (10%) with. (For more information, please contact both Wesson-Bantam Oil at (860) 567-9431, and Rick Wolkowitz at 860 672 6366 or richard_wolkowitz@yahoo.com.

**Ongoing Education:** We promote gardening and local food through schools and libraries. CCS now has four boxes for the schools programs. We also supply the library with films and information about environmental protection. As always, please visit us at the Ag. Fair in the fall and the Memorial Day Fair in the spring to get updates on current issues, incentives and programs and come celebrate our Solar Christmas tree. Programs are announced and updated on our website: [cornwallctenergy.org](http://cornwallctenergy.org).  

We’d love to get your feedback. Come join us! Cornwall is working on a Sustainable Future with diligence and creativity!

Respectfully submitted,
Katherine Freygang,
Cornwall Energy Task Force and the Cornwall Conservation Commission
The Cornwall Economic Development Commission is in its eighth full year. Created originally in response to surveys conducted regarding Cornwall’s Town Plan 2010, there was repeated indication by respondents that the economic health of the town needed guidance. The Board of Selectmen appoints the Commission. The current Chair is Janet Carlson Sanders (2018). The other members are as follows: Richard Bramley, David Dolinsky, Priscilla Pavel, Richard Sears, Todd Piker, Simon Hewitt, Kate Ward, Jacque Schiller and Bianca Griggs. We meet at least 10 times a year on the second Tuesday of the month at 9 a.m. at the Cornwall Town Hall. Go to www.explorecornwallct.com or find us on Facebook at Explore Cornwall Connecticut.

Our goals for 2018 - 2019:

1. Revitalize the Town of Cornwall
   a. Increase enrollment at the school - enrollment has increased by 27% and there will be another social media campaign in 2019.
   b. Increase number of businesses - a social media campaign is planned and a lot of activity!

2. Support the septic and water, NW Connect, the Town Plan, and the Bend (which passed with 100% of the vote!)

3. Publicize events via press releases and social media. (ongoing) and our new website launched that is event focused.

4. Be proactive with the press, communicating what is better about Cornwall (ongoing).

Janet Carlson Sanders
Chair, Cornwall Economic Development Commission Chair (2018)
The Honorable Diane S. Blick, Judge

It is with great pleasure that I report to the residents of the Litchfield Hills Probate District the activity of the Probate Court for fiscal year July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and request this report be included in the Town’s next published Annual Report.

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Overall, the number of probate matters handled by the Court increased approximately 3 1/2% over the number of matters handled the previous year.

The category Fee Waivers, which indicates an increase of over 25% this fiscal year, represents the number of matters which were handled by the Court for which no probate filing fee is collected due to the fact that the Petitioner is indigent.

There are also marked increases in the case work handled for Trusts, Guardian of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities and Children’s Matters.

The Court’s location in the Litchfield Town Hall is open Monday through Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The Court’s location in the North Canaan Town Hall is open Monday through Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. I continue to be available in the Kent Town Hall on Tuesdays 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

The Court Staff joins me in extending our sincerest appreciation to the town leaders, residents and professionals who utilize the services of the Probate Court for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

**Diane S. Blick**

Diane S. Blick
Judge of Probate

August 3, 2018
NORTHWEST HILLS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

The Northwest Hills Council of Governments (COG) consists of the Mayors and First Selectmen from 21 member towns in the northwest corner. It is one of the nine Councils of Governments that have been established in Connecticut.

The COG meets on a monthly basis to discuss issues of municipal concern, oversee COG projects, and explore new opportunities for regional cooperation. The COG’s work program includes activities in three focus areas: regional planning, grant writing and administration, and regional service delivery. Activities in each of these three focus areas are summarized below. More information on these and other COG activities is available at: www.northwesthillscog.org.

Focus Area One: Regional planning activities in 2018 focused on preparing a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) for the Region. Major strategies in the CEDS include expanding the fiber optic network, promoting tourism/arts/culture, supporting local farms, strengthening manufacturing, and encouraging entrepreneurs/innovation. The COG also adopted an updated Regional Plan of Conservation and Development this year, and initiated the development of a Resiliency Vision and Toolkit for the Northwest Hills. With technical assistance from the Housatonic Valley Association, the NHCOG also prepared an on-line Interactive Regional Trail Map to enhance access to information on the public access trails in the region.

Focus Area Two: Grant writing and administration activities in 2018 focused on administering grant funds awarded for 1) a rural broadband and mobile enhancement study, 2) a water/wastewater study in West Cornwall, 3) an alignment study of a section of the HouBike trail in Kent and Cornwall in cooperation with the Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area, 4) the completion of a low-impact development guidebook, 5) implementation of the CEDS, 6) development of a Regional Resiliency Vision and Toolkit for the region, 7) the design of a regional animal shelter to serve the Torrington area, and 8) implementation of the Rural Independent Transportation Service. In addition the COG is allocated about $2M each year from ConnDOT for priority local road improvements, and serves as the oversight agent for about $350,000 in Homeland Security Grant funding each year for our regional area.

Focus Area Three: Regional service delivery activities in 2018 included on-going coordination of a number of popular programs such as our household hazardous waste collection days, a prescription assistance program in cooperation with the Foundation for Community Health, a Neighbor-to-Neighbor program in cooperation with the Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation, a fuel bank program, the Northwest Hills Public Works Equipment Cooperative, and the region’s cooperative purchasing program.

A variety of issues of regional significance were discussed at the monthly meetings of the COG this year including water supply planning, transportation safety planning, economic development priorities, broadband service, GIS service, the opioid epidemic, legislative priorities, cyber security, recycling and disposal of municipal solid waste, housing issues, and demographic changes in the region.
The COG also provides assistance to a number of organizations in the region including the Regional Housing Council, Northwest Hills Road Supervisors Association, Public Safety Task Force, Recycling Advisory Committee, and the Housatonic River Commission. In addition, the COG hosts a quarterly “5th Thursday” forum for area Planning, Zoning, and Conservation Commission members to meet and discuss items of mutual interest, hear guest speakers, and provide input on regional plans.

Serving as officers of the COG in FY 2017-2018 were Mark Lyon, Chairman; Bruce Adams, Vice Chairman; Leo Paul, Secretary; and Bob Valentine, Treasurer. COG member towns include Barkhamsted, Burlington, Canaan (Falls Village), Colebrook, Cornwall, Goshen, Hartland, Harwinton, Kent, Litchfield, Morris, New Hartford, Norfolk, North Canaan, Roxbury, Salisbury, Sharon, Torrington, Warren, Washington, and Winchester.

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Lynn, AICP
Executive Director
Cornwall Park and Recreation

The busy year began with our annual July Fest held on July 1st. We had our stand by games with tug of war, mile fun run and of course the always popular Cornwall fire hose truck that cooled down all the kids. New joining us this year was Joe Brien’s Tinker Wagon giving everyone the chance to build a wood back scratcher/rake and Litchfield Tang Soo Do Karate who did board breaking!

At Halloween there was the wonderful assortment of homemade soups, and our great neighbors to hand out candy in the village to our kids. A special addition this year was Tricia Collins and her daughter Annalise who did an AMAZING job setting up and running a spooky haunted stage at the Town Hall. Kids and adults loved it...those being scared and those doing the scaring. Thank you, Tricia and Annalis!

This spring we tried out a new (hopefully to become an annual) event- The Cornwall Park and Rec Rabbit Egg Hunt!! It was held on the UCC lawn with family, friends and about 50 kids. The kids searched for colored eggs (some hidden in the snow) and got their picture taken by Jim Herity with the Park & Rec Rabbit!! Thank you, Jim and the P&R Rabbit...you know, who you are!!

Joe Markow provided two workshops on Ukrainian egg decorating. He talked about the history and the techniques. Everyone that attended got to create and take home a decorated egg.

Kicking off the summer was the Annual Beach Picnic that welcomes all families and friends living in Cornwall to enjoy an evening at Cream Hill Lake to have a burger or hot dog provided by park and rec and potluck side dishes brought by everyone who came. The Cornwall Agriculture Commission tops off the evening by providing ice cream sundaes!

In the Fall we had three teams formed with kids from Cornwall and Sharon. Two of our teams were coached by our Cornwall volunteers Dennis Belancik, Pete Nestler and his son Jack.

Wintertime brought us basketball with our ever-dedicated volunteer coach Rick Kearns. We had one 3rd & 4th grade team, with low numbers we added 2nd graders in during the practices.
In winter came ice skating at Hotchkiss school on Saturday evenings. There were as many as 25 people that came on some evenings. If you have gently used ice skates that you would like to donate, Park and Rec would be glad to take them.

This year the Skidaddle program joined with Cornwall school to provide winter activities to all the students in the school K-8. Some did downhill skiing, others went ice skating, cross country skiing, snow shoeing or curling. There was something for everyone!

Springtime brought us baseball. We had a major league, minor league (that was coached in Kent) and farm league. These teams were made up of a mix of Kent, Sharon and Cornwall kids. Cornwall volunteer coaches were Rick Kearns, Richie Dolan, Pete Nestler, and Ian Johnson. The major league team became the 2018 John Lamb Tournament champions.

Todd Piker worked with the CCS kids in Kindergarten to 8th grade for a week of learning and improving on the game of tennis. Thank you again, Todd!!

The seniors of Cornwall Park and Recreation enjoyed a year of wonderful lunches each month provided by someone different, Cornwall Country Market, Pearly’s Farm House Café, Fruend’s Catering and Suzie’s Sweets. Approximately 20-25 seniors came each month. Thank you to Melissa Bronson for helping me each month with set up and clean up.

About 13 seniors and friends traveled to East Haven for an adventure at the Shoreline Trolley Museum. The tour was extra special since our tour guide was my husbands Uncle who comes every year from Florida to be a volunteer trolley conductor for a week each summer. The museum had a new memorial with one of the two trains that survived during 9-11 in the tunnel under the Twin Towers. It was a very interesting tour. Lunch was enjoyed at the Sandpiper Restaurant.

In the Fall a nearby trip was taken to the Sloane Stanley Museum in Kent. Seniors enjoyed the museum with our tour guide Joe Brien. The museum had several types of tools used many years ago and the history of Eric Sloane.

In December, a small group of seniors traveled to New Haven and went to the Yale Peabody Museum with lunch at Cafe Bravo, then to the Knights of Columbus Museum which had a special exhibit on creches!!

In the spring about a dozen people enjoyed our annual trip to the Hartford Flower Show. It always gives everyone hope that Spring is around the corner.

The Annual Spring Social was in June with seniors coming from Cornwall, Kent, Salisbury, Sharon, Falls Village and Canaan. The region 1 park and recreation directors put together a great lunch for all the seniors at the Grove in Lakeville with Bingo and raffle prizes.
Some new things we did this year was Paint Palette and Punch. Mary Prebble a special guest from New Hampshire came and taught everyone of all ages to paint a picture of the West Cornwall covered bridge. There were three classes held throughout the day. She provided the experienced and inexperienced the steps needed to paint a beautiful covered bridge. It was fun to see everyone's slightly different painting! A great time was had by all!!!

Park and Rec doesn't provide sports for only children, this year Pickleball for adults was added to the list of Park and Recreation's sports activities. Pickleball was played on Monday evenings at the CCS gym. As we grew in players we increased in nets and paddles. We are now able to have 3 games of doubles happening at one time.

Litchfield Tang Soo Do from Litchfield came and did two six-week sessions of karate classes one in the fall and one in the spring. A total of over 40 kids did the programs. We will continue with karate again this year as well. Thank you to Master Krantz, Kyle, Olivia and Cornwall's own Simon who taught the classes.

Briana Juliano brought her dancing talents to Cornwall Park and Rec providing the kids with a fall dance class and a spring Jazz Acro class. She worked with the kids and taught them all sorts of dancing moves and techniques. The fall class had 24 kids, half boys and half girls. Thank you, Briana!!

Cornwall Park and Recreation Commission members are John Sanders - Board Chair, Johan Winser, Stephen Saccardi, Melissa Bronson, Libby Mitchel, Erica Joncyk, Rocco Botto, Tommy Juliano.

A big thank you for help and support goes to Tommy Juliano who resigned this summer because he has moved to Torrington. We will miss you!!

Respectfully Submitted,

Jen Hurlburt Markow
Registrar of Voters Annual Report 2018

We are pleased to announce that both Registrars are officially certified by the State of Connecticut, having completed all required courses and passing the final exam. Continuing education is done throughout the year to maintain our certification.

Here is a brief review of what our year entails:

Canvass voters and review sales of houses, maintain our permanent absentee ballot list, prepare and run the Region One budget referendum, attend statewide conferences in April and September, prepare and run the November election, train election workers prior to the elections, prepare monthly detailed reports of new voters, changes to voters and removals, and annual paperwork for the Secretary of the State.

Of the 1040 eligible voters, 447 voted in the municipal election held in November, 2017.

The turnout for the May 8, 2018 Region One budget vote was 15%.

As of September 17, 2018, there were 1030 total voters; 475 Democratic, 194 Republican, 352 Unaffiliated, and 9 others.

We encourage everyone to vote in the upcoming gubernatorial election on November 6, 2018. Your vote really does make a difference.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne Ridgway
Cara Weigold
Sydney M. Kaye Fund Advisory Committee

This year the Fund received no requests. The balance on June 30, 2017, was $18,520.00.

We do appreciate the opportunity to support projects which are for the benefit of Cornwall inhabitants. However, because interest rates are so low, the Fund cannot grow as it did in the past. It would be only small projects that could be helped. Proposals for funding can be made by sending a letter to the selectmen, care of Finance Director Barbara Herbst.

Advisory Committee: Ginny Potter, Lynn Scoville
Transfer Station Report

Hello from the Transfer Station! Another exciting year has passed at the Transfer Station. Stephen O’Neil retired in April to pursue other endeavors and maybe relax with his dog Coby. New at the helm is his longtime assistant Ted Larson. A new face filling the assistant position at the “Dump” is Tom Juliano, also from Cornwall.

There are a few changes at the “Dump”.

One being we now accept and recycle all plastic bags with a recycle symbol on them. There is a special barrel with the bag symbol on it in the barn, just ask and we will gladly show you!

Two, a few more orange cones have been added to the two lane car drive through, so be alert to them.

The Swap Shop continues to be a big hit. Please ask us before depositing your goodies. Please remember they have to be in working order, clean and no child infant cribs or strollers.

As the new year continues to trudge on with the weather, please be patient and careful. We enjoy the children and dogs, so please follow the signs and slow down when approaching the Transfer Station! As always:

REDUCE  REUSE

RECYCLE

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Larson
BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT
2017-2018

I have had the great honor to work with a remarkable board that is committed to the excellence and growth of our children's education. This could not be done without the extraordinary teachers and support staff we have and the leadership of our Principal Michael Croft.

As you all know, the population of our school has been diminishing over the years. This is an issue not unique to Cornwall but happening in many rural towns across the country. The board this year decided to tackle this issue head on. We invited our town's people to Community Conversation about the Future of Educating Cornwall Children. The format was imperfect and attendance could have been better but we did come to consensus: The Cornwall community asserted its commitment to maintaining CCS as a K-8 school.

Over the course of this four-meeting process, and a special retreat with our teachers, the Board heard many ideas about how to make CCS an even more high quality and enriching school. Over the summer the Board held a retreat to review all the ideas suggested. Our plan is to support efforts to promote the excellence of this school on the web site and through marketing, to explore potential areas that school might emphasize in order to stand out from the crowd of private and public schools around us, to continue to support our teachers in their pursuit of excellence by offering opportunities for training and to meet with the Board of Finance to outline a timeline for assessing where we are as a school in the future.

Some new procedures and policies created or re-established:

1. The board meetings have been streamlined through a consent agenda so that there is more time for teacher's presentations about curriculum and discussion on policies.

2. Parent Teachers Partnership has been reinstated for parents and teachers to meet and discuss curriculum and other student issues.

3. Pam Vogel, our Superintendent, has instituted a school-community advisory group in each town of Region One, which include forums and focused discussions. Two meetings of this group were held this past year.

4. On the academic front, Principal Croft had teachers and staff focus through professional development, writing goals and action plans for math.

5. The board reinstated CABE membership and hired CABE to review all our policies to flag any the policies we need to update.

6. We re-established a policy committee to start the review of our policies. Members: Tatge, Kotchoubey and Croft.
7. The school has established an after-school program this year.

8. The certified teacher’s contract was approved.

9. Principal Croft established a Personnel Committee that would look at staffing levels and shifting of staff assignments as needed from year to year to year. Members: Gray and Cadwell.

10. This year we offered retirement incentives to faculty as a way to make cuts in the education budget. One member of the faculty took advantage of the offer.

11. The Board submitted the 2018-2019 budget to the finance board for a $2,361,446, a reduction of 6.07% from last year’s budget.

12. The Board this year recognized several community members for their significant contributions to the school. Carol Luger and Mohawk Mountain for the years CCS students have skied at Mohawk; Tom Brown for his work with the CCS theater program and basketball team; Pat Thibault for establishing the annual Veteran’s Day ceremony and her volunteerism; Sally Hart for reading to generations of CCS students; 8th Grader, Gavin Budny for his leadership and volunteering with the LEAPSS program and teaching technology to younger students; 8th grader Reilly Hedden for her leadership and volunteerism; retiring teacher Joyce Samson for her gifts, skill, patience and creativity with our children.

13. The BOE reviewed the Safe School Climate Plan (Bullying Policy) and approved the current policy.

14. We reviewed our Tuition Rate for Out-of-District Students and decrease the tuition from $6,000 to $2,000.

The school and the board have done their best to try to keep the community informed of all the wonderful activities and developments at the school. I hope you will come to our board with thoughts and ideas to improve our school. Our children are the future citizens of this community.

We want to thank Tom Levine, former Chair, and Rachel Matsudaaira for their years of service to our school. Thank you also to our current Board Members: Tracy Gray, Vice-Chair; Marina Kotchoubey, Secretary; Cay Hosterman; David Cadwell; and Emilie Pryor.

Thank you for your support. We look forward serving our students in the 2018-2019 school year.

Catherine Tatge
Chair of the Board of Education
Dear Cornwall Friends

The Cornwall Consolidated School class of 2018 was small but formidable. Gavin Budney and Reilly Hedden received their diplomas on June 20th after a year marked by leadership and academic achievement. Gavin and Reilly, who had classes with their twelve 7th grade peers, thrived in the leadership roles that are traditional for CCS 8th graders and additional roles that they carved out for themselves. From the first day of school when they ran the Opening-of-School Community Meeting to the last week when they presented the results of their Explorations projects to the community, the class of 2018 demonstrated maturity, poise, intellect, and growth. At graduation, CCS alumna Cynthia Matthews von Berg advised Reilly and Gavin to be kind, but also to be strong. The class of 2018 is well prepared to do both.

2017-18 was in many ways the first step into the future for Cornwall Consolidated School. Our school is now organized for enrollment declines projected for the next several years, with multi-age classes grouping k-1-2, 3-4, 5-6, and 7-8 students together. The school budget has also been adjusted to reflect enrollment trends with a 7.3% decrease in the CCS 2017-18 budget and a further 6.1% decrease to the 2018-19 budget. This was possible largely because of reductions in both teaching faculty (1.4 positions) and non-teaching staff (2.4 positions). Yet we know that the future is bright: through a series of Board of Education “Community Conversations,” Cornwallians affirmed their commitment to maintaining CCS as a comprehensive, high quality k-8 school. And while long-term enrollment projections are unchanged, we expect an increase from 76 students in 2017-18 to 85-90 in 2018-19. This is the result of a small graduating class, a larger incoming kindergarten, a number of families moving into Cornwall, and a modest but increasing number of out-of-district students paying tuition to attend CCS.

There were more additions to CCS for 2017-18 including a school-run After School Care Program. Under the direction of Patricia Vanicky, the program proved extremely popular with children and very useful for families. Fully ⅔ of the student body was enrolled and participated in free play, arts and crafts, enrichment programming, homework, silent reading, and more. Financial aid for the After School Care Program was possible because of generous donations from individuals and a grant from the Cornwall Foundation. Another addition was student led conferences. CCS middle school students conducted these, presenting information and insight about their academic progress to their parents and teachers. Next year, grade k-4 students will also lead conferences as we move more fully toward student-engaged assessment.

When the Connecticut Department of Education released school ratings this year, we were heartened to see that our score was higher than that of any other Region One district as well as all other nearby districts. The ratings are based on several factors, including scores on state tests, and reflect the hard work and passion for learning that drives our students, teachers, and families.

Many organizations and individuals continue to support CCS. The Cornwall Consolidated School Fund for Excellence once again provided an amazing array of after-school enrichment classes, including Mandarin, rock climbing, yoga, an arts survey, and pottery. Many community members volunteer regularly at CCS, including Board of Education Volunteer Award winner Todd Piker, who has taught free tennis lessons to CCS students for over 15 years. Our community support certainly does not end there. The Cornwall Library, many Cornwall businesses, the Region One Arts Fund, the Region One Athletic Fund, and countless giving individuals contribute to the quality of our children’s experience.
On the last day of school we said goodbye to seven staff members who won’t be returning to CCS next year. Joyce Samson retired after teaching in Cornwall for 21 years; Sue Dodge retired after 19 years as a Region One education paraprofessional, nine in Cornwall; Karen Lindstrom and Tracy Bayers were assigned by Region One to work at other schools; Beth Frost and Kathy Lyon finished their time as long term guest teachers (we don’t call them “substitutes”); and Patricia Vanicky is moving on to a full time teaching position. We are grateful to them all and will miss them all.

Still and all, we prepare for the 2018-19 school year and to renew our commitment to be a place where students will be known as individuals, will direct much of their own learning, will be both challenged and supported, and where leadership skills and a love of the outdoors will be fostered (Did you know that we have more recess time than any area school and have the only curricular winter sports physical education program in the state?).

Thank you for helping to make our school the nurturing, dynamic, community institution that it is.

Sincerely,

Michael Croft
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REGION ONE SCHOOLS, SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Each year, Region One has the opportunity to share the achievements of our schools with the communities through our Annual Town Report. The schools of Canaan, Cornwall, Kent, North Canaan, Salisbury, Sharon and Housatonic Valley Regional High School are the seven districts that comprise Region One.

The work of the Region One Board, through the Lighthouse Project, shaped the district’s conversations and foci. The mission that the Board developed states: “In order for us to prepare each child for what comes next, we must align vision, expectation, and practice among all stakeholders.”

With 275 square miles that comprise Region One, as well as the different communities, each supporting a separate school, aligning the vision and practices is ongoing. We understand that each community wants their school to be both unique and exceptional. We all strive for this. At the same time, equity in opportunities for all students is essential, so we must attend to the fact that every child at every level receives instruction according to a common curriculum, so that we can help them to reach their maximum potential. Teachers and administrators meet regularly to discuss how we achieve this and further how students learn best. We continually ask ourselves if we are providing this opportunity to all of our students. If we determine that we need to make adjustments, so that the expected academic growth continues for each student, we address this and make the changes that are needed.

Leadership Teams, assembled by the principal in each school, help with the planning of professional learning, the study of student achievement data, and lead discussion of student programs. Additionally, Regional Professional Learning Communities have been formed with representation from each school, so that teams can discuss the plans and progress of programs across the region and determine if we can accomplish excellence through collaboration. A number of teachers from each school have attended state and national conferences over the past year, in order to be more informed and then to communicate their learning with colleagues. Research based instruction is what we will continue to strive for. Mrs. Lisa Carter, as Assistant Superintendent, is the leader to schools in all of areas of Teaching and Learning, which are vast and vitally important to the success of our students.

Our special education programs are comprehensive and serve children with a wide range of abilities. Every school provides special education programming; some schools have programs that are specific to students with particular disabilities, such as autism, behavioral challenges, or more significant cognitive impairment. Mrs. Martha Schwallert, Special Education Supervisor, and Mr. Carl Gross, Pupil Services Director, supervise these areas.

This past year, we increased professional learning time for curriculum development, discussion of instruction and quality assessments, equitable grading practices, and personalized learning. These areas continue to be our focus.

Our four major goals continue to be the following:

Goal 1: To implement a guaranteed and viable curriculum tied to comprehensive formative and summative assessments utilizing the Connecticut Core Standards, National Content Standards, and the Instructional Core (student, teacher, content). In this goal, all of the schools are working together to formulate curriculum (what we teach) that shows an alignment between what we teach, how we assess, and the Core Standards. There is to be agreement among all teachers at each grade level that this should be uniform. The teaching strategies (how we teach) are the teacher’s decision, as long as the methods we use are effective for student learning. We have also devoted time for teachers to agree upon how
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and what we grade. We spent an increased amount of time this past year on grading practices, so that every student in Region One knows that they are being assessed fairly and that their performance is meeting proficiency.

"To improve achievement, as evidenced by multiple data sources such as local, regional, state, and national assessments" is Goal #2. This requires us to study and understand what data tell us about student growth. It is not enough to look only at a student's grades and standardized tests. We need to look at all types of data to understand if students are making the progress, such as student learning practices, which are the attitudes and behaviors that students demonstrate as they engage in day-to-day activities in the classroom. We want high academic achievement, but we also want students who show they are responsible, who work well with others, who strive to get work done on time, and who respect one another as well as the teachers and staff in their respective schools. All of the schools have reached consensus on the qualities a student should strive to exhibit.

Goal #3 is "to continue to implement the regional teacher and school leader evaluation plans, with precision, fidelity, and purpose, and aligned to the district's school improvement goals." We continue to refine how we evaluate teachers and leaders and have spent time this past year working with teachers to discuss what types of goals will be most effective to demonstrate improved teaching and student learning. To accomplish the precision and fidelity with which we must incorporate in the evaluation process, we have dedicated a number of days to training staff members in this area.

Promoting positive social and emotional health and well-being for all students is Goal #4. All of our K-8 schools use the Botvin curriculum to help students understand what it is to be socially and emotionally healthy. Several of our schools engage in Red Ribbon Week and the Start with Hello programs designed to support well-being and a sense of inclusion for all students. Still, we believe that we need to do more to ensure that all students place as much importance on being emotionally healthy as they do on being strong academic learners. Going into the new 2018-2019 year, we are putting more emphasis on social and emotional health through community and school discussions and implementing programs to achieve this.

In the past year, these are some of the programs that have been enacted and actions that have taken place:

- Teacher professional development in the areas of Personalized Learning, Grading Practices, Student Led Conferences, and Assessment, as well as building specific programs
- Increased professional development for support staff
- Implemented the High School Career Experience Program started
- Began the High School Bridges Program for alternative education students
- Hired four new principals in the region
- Negotiated six certified (teachers) and three non-certified (support staff) contracts
- Conducted an audit of our regional technology systems
- Instituted a program that recognizes "those who contribute" at all board meetings
- Published quarterly newsletters with news from the region and each school
- Organized School-Community Partnership meetings in each school
- Began the discussion of the "Vision of a Graduate" with all administrators
- Held two board retreats
- Worked with the officers in Troop B to identify school safety/security concerns
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- Developed a Region One data calendar for communication at Board meetings
- Gained approval for a Region One Special Olympics program through CT Special Olympics

We will continue to refine all of the aforementioned curricular programs as it takes time to achieve full, high quality implementation.

To keep our schools safe places for learning, budget and infrastructure needs have been attended to, through the oversight of each Board of Education, Building and Grounds Committees in the schools, and Mr. Sam Herrick, Regional Shared Services Business Manager. Sam assists and provides some oversight with projects throughout the region. These projects have taken place over the past year:

Lee H. Kellogg School:

Bill Beebe, long-time Head Custodian at LHK, retired in the fall of 2018. This was Bill's last summer at the helm at Kellogg School.

Summer projects completed included:

- New propane tanks for the new heating system, including buried lines to the school building
- Parking lot lines were repainted
- Playgrounds were mulched
- Exterior painting

Cornwall Consolidated Elementary School:

Summer projects completed included:

- New asphalt shingles were installed as part of a roof project over the back "U" section of the school
- New carpeting was installed in the library computer lab
- Exterior painting

Kent Center School:

Summer projects completed included:

- Interior painting in the fourth grade classrooms, main office, Principal's office conference room, lobby, mail room, and upstairs classroom doors
- Two basement locker rooms fixed up, cleaned, and painted
- Large section of tile floor replaced in cafeteria and throughout hallways
- All classroom carpets shampooed
- Furniture assembly for classroom
- Smart Board installed in fourth grade classroom and library
- Asphalt holes in parking lot and sidewalks were patched
- Repaired and replaced many fixtures, toilet flush valve, and assorted plumbing issues
- Classroom doors re-keyed
- Two keyless entry areas for teachers installed
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North Canaan Elementary School:

Summer projects completed included:

- Interior painting included hallways, bathrooms, and some classrooms
- Principal’s office re-configured to include space for a conference area
- Gym floor stripped and re-finished by maintenance staff
- Playgrounds were mulched

Salisbury Central School:

Summer projects completed included:

- Major renovation of the upper building including CAT 6 cabling, air conditioning installed in classrooms, new casework, ceilings, lighting, tiling, and paint
- Major site renovation at the lower building including masonry work, drainage, and parking lot and walkway paving

Sharon Center School:

Summer projects completed included:

- Exterior painting on the front of the building
- Security screens installed in various areas of the building
- New faucets installed in classrooms and cafeteria
- Exterior doors on the gym and stage were installed
- Lighting in the closets was upgraded to LED
- Magnetic doors were installed throughout the building (Fire code update)

HVRHS:

Summer projects completed included:

- Major science wing renovation completed
- Major locker room (ADA Project) completed
- Boiler replacement project completed
- Upgrade of 1953 HVAC units that service the kitchen, the fitness center, and the gymnasium wing
- Exterior lighting upgraded to LED
- 10,000 Gallon underground fuel tank changed to 8,000 gallon above ground tank (per state code)
- Gymnasium painted, new floor logo, and wall mats installed
- Tennis court, backstop, and track gate fence repaired
- Field goal post painted
- Maintenance garage exterior painting and wood rot repair
- New athletic storage shed
- Central office carpeting
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- Duct cleaning throughout various parts of the building
- Occupancy sensors installed
- Upgrades to the heating controls
- New walkway installed from the gym to the parking
- Crack repair on tennis courts
- Asbestos abatement and painting in teachers’ lounge
- Epoxy floor inside loading dock area

The total number of students who attend Region One schools remains fairly steady. Several schools saw a small increase in enrollment and several others saw a decrease. We recognize that we need to watch the trends in enrollment in our schools and be ready to make adjustments when and if a marked change in enrollment occurs. While small class sizes may provide a wonderful opportunity to deliver very personalized, individualized instruction, small class sizes can also limit the social learning that some students require. Two of our schools have instituted multi-age classrooms in order to offer more social interaction, at the same time being able to provide individualization in academic areas.

In the 2017-2018 school year, much has been accomplished and yet we still have far to go. Our continual challenge in Region One, with distance between schools and some differences in existing practices, is to make time to communicate among our staff and work together. Our highest priority is to provide the best education possible, one that ensures our youth receive their education in a safe environment and that we prepare them for a successful life in career pathways of their choosing.

In the years ahead, we understand the challenges and necessity of two-way communication with our stakeholders, sharing the good work that has been done and that which still needs to be done.

We believe that our staff holds consistent and high expectations for the success of our students. It is our goal to develop each student through promoting rich opportunities for learning, both within and out of the classroom. We will continue to ensure that our staff is supported with the knowledge and skills they need to support excellence for our students.

We thank our parents, community members, staff, and everyone who supports our students and the programs that enhance their educational experience in Region One Schools. Our schools and our Shared Services Center will continue to build more partnerships between students, parents, and staff.

Dr. Pam Vogel
The Cornwall Child Center Annual Report July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018

The Cornwall Child Center’s fiscal year started off with a consistent enrollment base for the Summer of 2018, closely bringing in the budgeted $21,000. We had three families from NYC join us for the Summer which has been a steady number for the past few years. The school year saw about a 25% increase in enrollment right from the beginning of the school year in September, this included three new families that moved into Cornwall.

The town of Cornwall provided $40,000 for operating costs and the Annual Appeal brought in $11,740 which was about $1500 more than the previous year. In addition, the center received $12,600.00 in major gifts and grants (down $2000) and The United Way continued to support a scholarship program for families in need with an allocation of $4,500.00. We also hosted a Cinco de Mayo Murder Mystery Dinner which brought in approximately $8,500. The Center had a net revenue of $11,600 because of our increased enrollment which provides a comfortable cushion going into the 2018/2019 year.

There were no large capital expenses this reporting year. The center is looking to make renovations to the outdoor play area in 2019. The $11,600 will help us attain that.

We once again thank those of you that are on the board for your continued support and dedication to this center and we continue to be grateful for those who volunteer at the center and those who attend and support our fundraisers. Since our enrollment fluctuates so greatly year to year, it is reassuring to know that we have such great support from the Town of Cornwall and its’ community members.

Sincerely,

Amy Martinez
Director
Emergency Management

Greetings to all in Cornwall! We experienced a relatively quiet winter (2017-2018), albeit much ice on the Housatonic River and our neighboring Town of Kent had serious problems with ice heave and flooding.

Emergency Management is becoming more high tech, and this year the State of Connecticut Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS) brought up the issue of cyber security in the annual Governor’s Emergency Planning and Preparedness Initiative (EPPI) Exercise in June. Whilst this could be a serious problem for a city, the small size of Cornwall is of great protection here!

In spite of all technical developments in communications with CT DEMHS, we have to be prepared to look after ourselves here in Cornwall in the event of any major emergency - and severe weather is our most serious threat. Certainly assistance could be coming from neighboring towns and the state, but the impact of a major emergency would almost certainly disrupt and possibly overwhelm the capacity of others to come to our immediate assistance. I would ask every household in Cornwall to be prepared to shelter in place for at least three days, and the basic precautions you should take including having your 911 street numbers visible from the road, have food and water for there days, a supply of candles, matches, flashlights, and keep your vehicle gas tank half full.

Be prepared and be safe!

Terry Burke
Emergency Management Director
Cornwall Volunteer Fire Department 2017-2018

The Cornwall Volunteer Fire Department activities in 2017-2018 fiscal year. The table below details the number of call per month for each division:

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Some of the types of fire calls were as follows, in order of frequency: 33 “false alarms,” where the department is summoned by an alarm system but no problem was found, 30 motor vehicle accidents, 24 public assista, 18 mutual aid or standby, 7 power line/trees down, 5 fires, 4 carbon monoxide detector activations, and 4 search/rescue calls.

In addition to calls, the department held 12 monthly meetings. The fire division held 35 drill sessions throughout the year. The rescue division held 13 drills and 12 monthly meetings to conduct business and review calls. EMS members also attended regional drills, regional case reviews and conferences. Members also participated in parades and two fundraisers.

Unlike previous years, Cornwall did not experience any major home or serious structure fires, but the department did respond to mutual aid calls to neighboring towns.

The department received its new Zodiac rescue boat in the spring and immediately began training new members for swift water rescue. The cost of the rescue boat was covered by department funds. 2 members renewed their safe boater certificate and 2 new members received the certificate for the first time. The new tanker ordered during the 2016-2017 fiscal year, arrived and was placed into service. Additionally the department added new electric extrication tools, funded by the annual appeal.

The department welcomed six new members: Bob Carrberry, Ella Hampson, Peter Jacquette, Jean Kearns, James Murphy, Larry Saed, and Jessica Slaven

Fred Scoville, Chief
Earl Tyler, President
CYFD Officers

Chief: Fred Scoville (fire, EMS)
Assistant Chief: Earle Tyler (fire)

Captain, West Cornwall:
   Ted Larson (fire)
Captain, Cornwall Bridge:
   Will Russ (fire, EMS)
Lieutenant, West Cornwall:
   Ralph Dzemus (fire, EMS)
Lieutenant, Cornwall Bridge: (open)
   Garrick Dinneen (Fire)
EMS Captain:
   Joyce Hart (EMS)
EMS 1st Lieutenant:
   Jayne Ridgway (EMS)
EMS 2nd Lieutenant:
   Elizabeth Ridgway (EMS)
EMS 3rd Lieutenant:
   Position open

Executives

President: Earle Tyler (fire)
Vice President: Dave Cadwell (EMS)
Treasurer: John LaPorta (EMS)
Secretary: Patience Lindholm (EMS)
Chaplain: Micki Nunn-Miller

Responding Members

Tom Barrett (EMS)
Marie Bate (EMS)
Diane Beebe (fire police)
John Bevans (fire police)
Donna Biefield (EMS)
Dave Cadwell (EMS)
Bob Carberry (fire)
Michael Degreenea (fire police)
Ralph Dzemus (fire)
Ella Hampson (EMS)
Joyce Hart (EMS)
Connie Hedden (fire, EMS)
Steve Hedden (fire)
Peter Jaquett (fire)
Peter Kalins (fire police)
Jean Kearns (fire police)
Chris Keel (fire, EMS)
Annie Kosciusko (fire, EMS)
Caroline Kosciusko (EMS)
Lauren Kosciusko (fire, EMS)
Mary Kate Kosciusko (EMS)
Skip Kosciusko (fire, EMS)
John LaPorta (EMS)
Ted Larson (fire)
Patience Lindholm (EMS)
Bill Lyon (fire)
Rod MacNeil (fire)
Jamie Murphy (fire)
Jack Preston (fire)
Elsie Pryor (EMS)
Elizabeth Ridgway (EMS)
Jan Ridgway (fire)
Gordon Ridge (EMS)
Jayne Ridgway (EMS)
Rebecca Ridgway (EMS)
Will Russ (EMS)
Larry Said (fire police)
Brian Saccardi (EMS)
Steve Saccardi (EMS)
Zach Sawicki (EMS)
Dick Sears (fire police)
Fred Scoville (fire)
Jessica Slaven (EMS)
Lawrence Srna (EMS, fire police)
Robert Thompson (fire)
Earle Tyler (fire)
Josh Tyson (fire)
Jim Vaipicky (fire)
Patricia Varick (EMS)
Jim Whiteside (fire, EMS)
Jonah Whiteside (EMS)
Bob Whifford (fire)
Dave Williamson (fire)

Support Members

John Miller
Hunt Williams
The TAHD served over 133,000 people in twenty boroughs, cities and towns covering 611 square miles.

The TAHD Community Health Program partnered with DPH and FoodCore to investigate: 2 cryptosporidium, 7 giardiasis, 19 campylobacteriosis, 13 salmonellosis, and 4 shiga toxin producing organisms. TAHD completed case management for 1 case of tuberculosis (diagnosed in FY 17). TAHD provided guidance to school nurses, daycares and community members on a variety of health issues. TAHD nurses administered 490 doses of flu vaccine to local residents. TAHD consulted with 31 residents regarding potential rabies exposures which resulted in TAHD submitting 22 raccoons, bats, and other animals to the State of CT Laboratory for rabies testing. Guidance on post exposure prophylaxis was provided as well. Ticks brought in by 122 residents were sent to the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station for Lyme disease bacteria testing.

TAHD is a member of Fit Together, a Northwest Connecticut Healthy Eating and Active Living Initiative. In April of 2018 Fit Together received a five year, $500K grant received from Hartford HealthCare (HHC) as a result of their new affiliation with Torrington’s Charlotte Hungerford Hospital. This financial support allowed the group to move forward on several health initiatives and has allowed the program to hire an Executive Director, and a 5210 Coordinator. Fit Together focuses on identifying policy changes and environmental improvements in area towns that effectively promote healthy habits and food choices. The program is based on assessments and research which has consistently shown that healthy eating and active living promotes productivity at work and school, maximizes mental and physical functioning, and prevents chronic diseases.

The TAHD continues to be an active member of the Litchfield County Opiate Task Force. This task force continues to work on strategies and solutions to the heroin/opiate addiction and overdose epidemic. The task force focuses on intervention, prevention, and community education.

In addition, the TAHD, along with other Health Districts/Departments across CT, was awarded a four-year contract to implement a comprehensive prevention strategy that raises community awareness and brings prescription drug abuse prevention activities and education to communities, schools, parents, prescribers, and their patients. TAHD is using the CT state wide “Change the Script” campaign for this awareness. TAHD is also providing prescriber education to increase the use of the CT Prescription Monitoring & Reporting System (CPMRS) to reduce prescription drug misuse, overdose, and death.

The TAHD-Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Program continued with their “Project Mitigate” trainings. Project Mitigate was designed to bring harm reduction strategies, overdose recognition and reversal skills to participants. The TAHD MRC Project Mitigate has won a National MRC Innovator Award of Excellence. The TAHD MRC provided volunteers for an emergency flu clinic at TAHD held in response to large numbers of illness in CT. TAHD MRC provided volunteers for a WEST CONN functional needs shelter following the tornadoes in western CT. TAHD MRC received a level II NACCHO Challenge Award Grant of $7,500. This will pay for “Project Apprise”, an opioid prevention program, which is focusing on rural high schools, which are in the TAHD service area, but outside of the McCall Center for Behavioral Health and Area Health Education Center (AHEC) service areas. Current membership is 23 members.
The TAHD Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program provided case management for more than 52 children with blood lead levels (≥ 5µ/dl) as well as provided educational information to more than 100 families. Abatement / Remediation Orders were issued for 2 properties. Four properties completed abatement. Currently 12 properties have open environmental cases. TAHD continues to focus on prevention services: healthy home assessments, cleaning supplies and home teaching of the “3 bucket” system of cleaning to decrease blood lead levels. TAHD Healthy Homes Program conducted 16 initial home inspections and 4 re-inspections.

The TAHD Immunization Action Program (IAP) continues to work with local providers and hospitals to ensure compliance with immunization laws for the infants and young children population. The focus for this year has been on transitioning from CIRTS (Connecticut Immunization Registry and Tracking System) to CT WiZ the new Immunization Information System.

The TAHD Emergency Preparedness Program worked with community partners to refine emergency protocols and plans. A focus this year was developing a regional healthcare coalition. TAHD also participated in many local and regional drills. TAHD provided an emergency Saturday flu clinic in February in response to the Commissioner of Public Health’s request to provide unvaccinated citizens with the opportunity to get vaccinated while Connecticut was experiencing widespread high flu activity statewide.

The TAHD partners with Phoenix Labs for its Water Testing Program. Phoenix Labs, a full-service lab located in Manchester, CT offers a wide range of testing of drinking water, wastewater, groundwater/landfills, storm water, soil and more. TAHD collects samples when requested, and offers free technical advice on water testing results.

TAHD Environmental Health Program resulted in the following inspections/licenses/permits: 1741 food inspections, 817 temporary food permits, 92 new septic systems, 233 repaired septic systems, 179 private well permits, 64 private pool permits, 141 beauty salons & barber shops inspections, 520 house addition permits, 256 soil tests, 35 subdivision lots, 58 public pools and beaches were inspected, and 28 daycare centers inspected. Records show that approximately 366 samples were submitted to the state lab for testing of drinking water, beach and pool water, lead in water, soil, and dust, and stool samples for pathogens. Sanitarians investigated 279 complaints of various public health concerns; 34 legal orders/voluntary compliances were issued for enforcement purposes.

Robert Rubbo, MPH, Director of Health
Agricultural Advisory Committee

Bill Dinneen, Chairman

Garrick Dinneen
Wendy Kennedy
Lynn Scoville
Susan Saccardi
Gordon Ridgway

Jennifer Larson
Brian Saccardi
Chris Hopkins
Ted Larson
Hunt Williams
INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES AGENCY

The Cornwall Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency held ten regular meetings and one special site walk meeting in the year 2017-2018. A total of twelve applications were reviewed by the Agency. Applications for activities within regulated areas included work on residential sites for septic repair, accessory structures and wetlands and pond restoration. The remainder of the applications were "Petitions for Declaratory Rulings" (PDR's) or as commonly known as "use as of right" applications. The "Petitions" included agricultural uses, repair to town fire protection structures, and driveway repair caused by flooding from an extreme storm event. Two modifications were granted for previously approved permits.

The Agency, despite fewer applications due to less residential development and a year of less dramatic weather events, maintained a regular schedule of meetings. New regulations enacted in 2011 with higher standards for the consideration of "use as of right" petitions continues to result in better prepared petitions and quicker turnaround times, important factors when dealing with activities such as septic repairs, seasonal agricultural activities and maintenance requests. The receipt and transmission of applications electronically to Agency members has resulted in quicker turnaround overall and more time for review by Agency members. Individual site walks prior to meetings – a self-imposed standard not common to most Agencies, continues to result in better informed decisions.

Chairman D. Stevenson Hedden, Vice-chairman Roger Kane, William Hurlburt, Adam Fischer and Andrew MacDavid remain as regular Agency members with Alternate members Deborah Bennett and Peter Demy. Karen Griswold Nelson remains as Agency staff, serving as Agency secretary, Authorized Agent and Enforcement Officer. The Agency, with members rich in experience in agriculture, site development, engineering and horticulture, continue to serve the town with well-grounded understanding and application of the current wetlands and watercourses regulations adopted for the protection of Cornwall’s water resources.

Respectfully submitted,

D. Stevenson Hedden
Annual Report of the Cornwall Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission is currently in the midst of updating the town’s Natural Resource Inventory. This multi-year effort will be carried out in conjunction with the Planning Zoning Commission’s decennial renewal of the Plan of Conservation and Development.

The commission is working closely with David Colbert and the P&Z subcommittee on Natural Resources to come up with recommendations on how to best take advantage of and preserve Cornwall’s many natural resources for the benefit of its inhabitants and visitors alike.

This process will rely heavily on past efforts and existing documentation of our natural resources. Working with the wealth of data contained within reports such as the 2007 King’s Mark Environmental Review Team Report and the extensive mapping data from organizations such as the Housatonic Valley Association and the Northwest Council of Governments, the Commission endeavors to create an updated version of the knowledge base that will help Cornwall determine how to best profit from and protect our natural resources for future generations.

The commission also expects to enlist experts in various fields and knowledgeable residents who are willing to lend their expertise or firsthand knowledge of our local flora and fauna as well as cultural and human resources to identify what actions we may take now to preserve Cornwall’s prosperity and rural character for years to come.

The commission especially invites residents to contribute local knowledge of unique aspects or features of our town that they feel may deserve extra consideration in an effort to preserve Cornwall’s rural character. We welcome written suggestions or a visit to our lively monthly meetings (7pm at the library third Thursday of each month). We want to hear from you.

Special thanks to Margie Purnell and Hector Prud’homme for their extraordinary contributions of time and energy to further our cause.

To address concerns of potential air quality impairment due to the Cricket Valley Energy Center (natural gas powered electric generating plant under construction in Dover Plains NY) the commission has teamed up with other local conservation commissions to lobby the state to monitor for air quality impacts.

Lastly I would like to announce that Katherine Freygang has joined the commission this year and has brought her tireless commitment to issues of renewable energy and sustainability to the commission’s portfolio.

Respectfully submitted

Patrick Mulberry, Chairman
Debby Bennett
Katherine Freygang
Richard Griggs
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

The Planning & Zoning Commission held eleven regular meetings, one special “change of date due to snow” meeting and our now annual wintery January town-wide planning meeting at the Cornwall Town Hall. Between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018, thirty-six zoning permits were issued. Six permits were issued for additions, modifications to and rebuilds of homes, fourteen permits were issues for non-residential accessory structures including barns and a greenhouse. One permit was issued for a new home with a detached art studio and one new house with a detached accessory apartment. Other permits included four new in-ground pools, a new solar array and structure, five decks, a tennis court, an extended covered walkway, and a gazebo. Permits were issued for temporary structures for Northwest Lumber as its business continues to recover from its destruction by fire in 2015. The Commission held public hearings for two special permits for new detached accessory apartments and a new home requiring the construction outside of the buildable area. Permits for the two Cornwall Farmers Markets were renewed.

As part of the Commission’s “planning” purview, regular meetings included time spent discussing changes to our regulations. It is clear that current demographic trends, including an aging population and shrinking working age population are impacting Cornwall in significant ways. The shrinking school population and shrinking pool of citizens able/willing to volunteer for emergency services (CVFD) are two manifestations of this trend.

Planning and Zoning’s ability to control demographics is limited, but we do have control over regulations that may affect important factors such as housing availability and the ease of operating businesses. First steps in this regard will be addressed in the update of our new Town Plan.

We also have had an active Economic Development subcommittee, with members Jill Cutler, James LaPorta, Ginny Potter and Anna Timell. In the past year, they have continued their concentrated effort on coming up with new regulations pertaining to agriculture. Proposed new regulations came to Public Hearing in June, which resulted in the Commission deciding that further work was needed prior to bringing the regulations to a vote.
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

The effort to update the Town Plan was launched with a well-attended Forum in October, 2017 at which considerable community input was received. Five subcommittees have been established: Community Resources, Economic Development, Housing, Natural Resources, and Youth. They have been meeting regularly, with minutes posted on the Planning and Zoning page of Cornwall’s website (Cornwallct.org>Civic, Gov’t>Minutes and Agendas>Planning and Zoning). The Town Plan is due for completion by 2020, though individual sections may be completed sooner.

In January, the Commission hosted what has become an annual planning meeting giving all groups working to make Cornwall a better place the opportunity to share information. In addition, the Commission intends to hold regular public information sessions regarding progress in the Town Plan update.

Serving as regular members are Chairman David Colbert, vice-chair Jill Cutler, Peter Kalmes, James LaPorta, Stephen Saccardi, and Anna Timell. Serving as alternates are Ben Gray Jr., Ginny Potter, and Phill West. Tom McGowan remains the Commission’s planning consultant. Karen Griswold Nelson remains as secretary and clerk to the Commission and the authorized Zoning Enforcement Officer. Both Karen and Tom’s years of experience provide invaluable support to the Commission in all of its functions.

Respectfully submitted,

David Colbert, Chairman
The Cornwall Zoning Board of Appeals held one regular meeting in the year 2017 – 2018 for administrative purposes; the election of officers and meeting dates and times.

The election of 2017 resulted in one new regular member, Ian Elwell, and the loss of long-time member Priscilla Pavel who resigned to take her position on the Board of Selectman.

The Board also felt the impact of the resignation of another longer time member, Nancy Calhoun. Nancy resigned so that she and her equally faithful community servant, husband John, can spend more winter time in warmer climates.

The Board currently consists of regular members, Don Bardot, chairman, Amy Worthington Cady, Betty Spence, Ann Schillinger and alternate members Joanne Wojtusiak and Fred Scoville.
NORTHWEST CONSERVATION DISTRICT
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The Northwest Conservation District (NWCD) is a local environmental non-profit organization serving 34 municipalities in northwestern Connecticut. Our mission is to promote the conservation and sound use of natural resources through education and technical assistance services.

TECHNICAL SERVICES AND PROJECTS IN SUPPORT OF OUR MISSION
We partnered with your town’s land use commissions and staff on site development reviews and field inspections for land use types ranging from residential and agricultural to commercial and urban settings. Each time we review and make recommendations on any proposed land use change, we balance development with protection of water, soil and other sensitive natural resources. We provide practical science-based solutions using the latest technologies, including Low Impact Development (LID), to ensure that projects work with the landscape instead of against it and that are designed to address changes in our climate.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AND PROJECTS IN SUPPORT OF OUR MISSION
NWCD provided many environmental education workshops on topics including soil health, permaculture, wildlife conservation, stormwater management and residential rain gardens. We worked with the Town of Brookfield to re-design and construct a failing detention basin adversely affecting water quality in the Still River. We worked with the Town of Morris land use boards to create and implement a Low Impact Sustainable Development and Stormwater Management Design Manual for use in designing land use projects protective of town wide valuable soil and water resources.

EDUCATION AT AN EARLY AGE LEADS TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IN THE FUTURE
Our support for the CT Envirothon Program helps provide hands-on science for high school students. This year, as part of the program’s natural resource-based curriculum and Field Day Competition, each team prepared a design plan for Horse barn Hill, Storrs that provides for the needs of the farm operation while allowing low impact recreation opportunities in a manner protective of bobolinks and other grassland birds. The statewide Field Day Competition held at the Topsmead State Forest in Litchfield saw teams competing from CT. high schools including NWCD area schools, Housatonic Valley Regional, Nonnewaug Regional 14, Northwestern Regional 7 and Wamogo. Visit www.ctenvirothon.org for more information.

EARTH DAY PLANT SALE, FISH AND PONDS
This year marked the 37th anniversary of our Annual Earth Day Plant Sale. Thanks to the efforts of many loyal and energetic volunteers, our three day annual event at the Goshen Fairgrounds resulted in thousands of native shrubs, trees, edibles and perennials being planted in our 34 towns and far beyond. Our wide selection of plants were chosen to provide habitat, food sources and shelter for native creatures; enhance streamside buffers and rain gardens for water quality protection; and encourage backyard gardening. Native plants for pollinators and migratory birds were featured in support of the National Audubon’s 2018 initiative “Year of the Bird”, the 100th anniversary of the Migratory Bird Act. We continued our Trout Stocking program for the renewal of appropriate aquatic resources in local ponds and streams.

OUR OUTREACH AND WEBSITE
The District publishes the “Voice of Conservation” newsletter bi-annually and continues to increase our ability to communicate with our members electronically through our website, nwcd.org and Facebook, further conserving our valuable natural resources. To be added to our mailing list, email info@nwcd.org.

THANKS TO YOU!
The Northwest Conservation District is very grateful for the ongoing support and partnership of the 34 municipalities that we serve and the generous contributions of local individuals, our funders and many faithful volunteers.
Housatonic River Commission

“to coordinate on a regional basis the local management and protection of the Housatonic River Valley in northwestern Connecticut”

**Annual Report 2017-2018**

The Housatonic River Commission (HRC) held 10 regularly scheduled monthly meetings the past year. Meetings took place at 7:30 on the second Tuesday of each month at the Cornwall Consolidated School or Cornwall Fire Department. The annual dues requested from each town remain at $350 per year.

The work of recognizing the Housatonic River through the National Park Service’s Wild and Scenic designation continues with the process in its final stages at the federal level. HRC and others worked with NPS personnel in preparing their final report, including canoeing stretches of the River this fall. Anticipating the forthcoming federal approval, meetings of the Housatonic Wild and Scenic Core Coordination Committee began quarterly meetings with representatives from NPS, HVA, CT DEEP, and NHCOG. Each group providing updates on their work including summer River Steward Program (HVA), angler surveys (CT DEEP) and low impact development programs (NHCOG) in the region.

With active participation in Citizens Coordinating Council meetings in Massachusetts and Connecticut, HRC continues to monitor the PCB cleanup and remediation proposals for the Housatonic River. Years in the making, the EPA’s potential Rest of River cleanup (including all of Connecticut) continues to await the approval of its next phase. We will be pushing to help ensure that the interests of towns and residents are duly represented. The current proposal calls for “monitored natural recovery” for all of Connecticut with key details to be worked out near Pittsfield, where contamination is far more severe.

As always, land use issues within the Housatonic River Corridor remain a significant concern. A growing topic this year was efforts to address invasive plant species along the waterway, with several members working to monitor and in some cases control troublesome, aggressive invasives in the inner river corridor. Monitoring the work of the Housatonic Railroad, including their track repair, herbicide use and derailment risk continue. The River Commission provided comments and suggestions on several proposed projects along the River, and all towns are reminded to please be sure that the HRC is notified on any proposed project within the River Corridor.

With sadness this winter, HRC marked the passing of Salisbury representative George Kiefer. One of the original HRC members, George served with distinction for four decades on this commission and is greatly missed.

We welcome all citizens to come to our meetings and get involved in discussions about the River. We are also grateful for the support we have received from the member towns, local zoning officials, and the Northwest Hills Council of Governments.
THE CORNWALL ASSOCIATION

The Cornwall Association operates to preserve Cornwall’s historic and rural character and to foster a strong sense of community. To achieve this goal, the group produces a variety of events and tools to engage their fellow Cornwallians.

Since its early days, when the Cornwall Association was instrumental in helping to launch the Cornwall Chronicle, it has hosted informational forums on topics ranging from regional services available for senior citizens to an in-depth follow-up on the Flat Rocks Fire to environmental issues facing our town. In addition, the group provides a citizen telephone/email directory on its website: www.cornwallassociation.org. The Association also hosts an annual Newcomers’ Tea in the fall to bring new residents into the know about goings on in the town and area.

With a grant from the Cornwall Foundation, the Association purchased a video camera and storage equipment that is helping to create a video history of life in Cornwall. Richard Griggs, new to the Association’s board this year, has used the equipment to record regular Selectmen’s meetings and other public events. Videos can be accessed through the town’s website at www.cornwallct.org. The equipment is available to any Cornwall organization to use. The only stipulation is that the recordings be available for viewing by all citizens.

In May 2018, the group began work on the Covered Bridge Art Project. When word came of the upcoming renovations to the deck of the West Cornwall Covered Bridge, we decided to salvage the old floor boards and offer them for re-purposing. Through a cooperative effort with town and state leaders, the state Department of Transportation, Mohawk Construction Company and Eversource, the boards were available to local artisans free of charge with the expectation that they will produce a piece to be exhibited at the annual Tea in October 2018. Some of the boards are being sold and some will be used to enhance or repair trails in Cornwall.

To learn more about the Cornwall Association, please visit the website.

Sincerely,

Priscilla Pavel
President

Board Members FY 17-18
Lori Blakey Welles, Vice President
Tony Appio, Treasurer
Joanne Wojtusiak, Secretary
Peter Demy
Katherine Freygang
Richard Griggs
John Miller
Micki Nunn-Miller
Richard Schlesinger
Brenda Singer
Conservation Activities: Since our last report of September 15, 2017, Cornwall Conservation Trust, Inc. (CCT) has the following to report:

CCT successfully conserved the following properties:

- The purchase of 90 acres off Route 43 now known as the Cheryl Cadman Evans Preserve using state and Federal grants and private contributions; and
- The purchase of 7 acres off Cherry Hill Road added to the Hart Family Farm Preserve using private contributions and CCT funds.

CCT gratefully accepted the contribution of 100 acres of forest on Johnson Road from the Dobbs family and now known as the Nance Nauts Dobbs Preserve and the contribution of 37 acres of farmland off Cherry Hill Road from the Cooley family and added to the Cooley Family Farm Preserve.

CCT also continued its commitment to support the work Cornwall Conservation Commission through contributions of maps and habitat studies.

CCT ran its first annual Cleanup and Green up event by having volunteers pick up trash along town roads and plant daffodil bulbs at The Cornwall Library. There were about 50 participants. The event had broad support from other Cornwall organizations including The Cornwall Library, the Cornwall Historical Society, the Cornwall Co-Op Farm Market, the Cornwall Child Center, the Cornwall Conservation Commission, the Cornwall Energy Task Force, The Cornwall Association, The Housatonic Valley Association, Inc., The Cornwall Foundation and the Original West Cornwall Farm Market.

CCT held a seminar at its October 2017 annual meeting and 30th anniversary celebration at Mohawk Mountain Ski Lodge which focused on meeting the challenge of conserving forests and farmland, while at the same time creating jobs. The seminar was led by Ingrid Ellen and included Tim Abbott, Vicky Been, Dave Dolinsky, Gordon Ridgway and Joanna Wozniak-Brown.

CCT also had volunteers perform trail work on CCT preserves for the use and enjoyment of Cornwall residents and visitors.

Scholars: The 2018 Student Grant program awarded eleven scholarships making this year the largest in number of funds given. Preference is given to Cornwall students and this year we had five students from our home town; Olive Cowan, Roxana Hurlburt, Katelyn Kearns, Patrick Kennedy, and Daniel Marino. Additional awards were granted to Mari Cullerton of Canaan; Brooke Dodge of Falls Village; Abigail Lafontan of Kent; Jack Scarpa of Salisbury; and Elias Hill and Shelby Luminati of Sharon. Congratulations students!

Annual Meeting: Our annual meeting will be held on Saturday, November 10, 2018 with a theme of Farm Cornwall. We will begin with a seminar at the Town Hall with local farmers and representatives of Connecticut resources for farming. The annual meeting will take place at 4pm in the Old’s barn.


From: Barton T. Jones,
President

September 25, 2018

* deceased
The Cornwall Foundation, Inc.

The Cornwall Foundation was established in 2003 to make grants to nonprofits, community organizations, and civic entities that serve the residents of Cornwall. It solicits donations to fund grants primarily to meet one-time needs or to serve as seed money for new programs. To the extent donations are expressly designated as endowment funds, or exceed what is required to fund current grants, they are added to an endowment managed by the Community Foundation of Northwest Connecticut, the income from which is available for future grants. The Cornwall Foundation is qualified as a charitable organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and donations are tax deductible to the extent permitted by law.

Since its founding the Cornwall Foundation has made more than $163,000 in grants, and its grant-making budget has risen to $20,000 per year. During 2017 and the first six months of 2018, grant recipients included the Chore Service, the Cornwall Agricultural Commission, the Cornwall Chronicle, the Cornwall Consolidated School, the Cornwall Historical Society, the Cornwall Library, the Grumbling Gryphons Children’s Theater, the Housatonic Youth Services Bureau, the Little Guild, and the United Church of Christ’s medical equipment program.

More information concerning the Cornwall Foundation, including a list of past grants, instructions and forms for grant applications, and directions for making donations, can be found at www.cornwallfoundation.org.
The Historical Society welcomed a new curator in August, 2018. Suzanne Fateh comes to Cornwall with over 30 years experience in museum and historical society work, including stints at the Gunn Library and Museum and the Mattatuck in Waterbury. Cornwall is lucky to have her! She is available by appointment via info@cornwallhistoricalsociety or at 672-0505.

The board of directors has continued to evolve as boards do in small communities like ours. In 2018 Simon Hewett left to become president of the Cornwall Library board. Ann Schillinger, after years of invaluable service, retired from the board taking with her armloads of research to continue her writing projects. Michael Heming, architect and old house owner, joined us in May. Bronwyn O'Shaughnessy organized our docents for the 2018 summer exhibits.

Joseph Ellis loaned the society some of his exquisite bird carvings for an early summer show. In July and August Jill Cutler and Jeremy Brecher put together an exploration of story telling in music, Ballads and Barn Dances: Old Time Music in Cornwall. Mountain dulcimer genius and Cornwall girl, Lorraine Hammond, and her husband Bennett brought the music to life at a Town Hall Concert. The weekend featured a little kids dance and a jam for local players.

Over the past year CHS created a new strategic plan for the years 2018 to 2023. Our focus will be on assessing and cataloging our collection and engaging with the Cornwall community in new ways. Here’s what’s been happening:

- A consultancy with a textile expert, paid for in part by a grant from the Cornwall Foundation, has revealed that our clothing collection is unusually fine for an organization of our size. Jill Cutler and Susan Hellman, board members who have been assisting in the project, report that some of the dresses from the 19th century are real knockouts. Every item will be photographed and described for cataloging and then stored away in new archival boxes with fresh, de-acidified tissue paper. Expect an exhibit to follow in the not-too-distant future.

- CHS is exploring ways to move outside the walls of our home at 7 Pine Street to engage the community in defining our town’s historical landscape -- its houses, barns, sheds, fields and forested lands. We hope to do this with home owners and with local conservation partners. There’s also interest is what may be under the ground from archeologists looking for native peoples’ sites and more evidence of the Foreign Mission School in the Village.

We invite you to join us as we tackle these challenges.

Lisa L. Simont

Board of Directors: Lisa Lansing Simont, president; Jill Cutler, vice president; John Coffin, treasurer; and Cindy Kirk, secretary. Members: Susan Hellmann, Michael Heming, Betty Spence and Ann Trowbridge.
CORNWALL HOUSING CORPORATION

The Cornwall Housing Corporation met often during this year, whether in full Board gatherings, small committee brain-storming sessions, or – everyone’s favorite – on field trips to check out possible sites or houses for future development. Our Holy Grail remains five acres of level ground with road frontage and good percs. Rock-free would be the cherry on top, but typically the land we can afford -- and pass on affordably -- is steep, remote, and strewn with boulders.

Several times this year we’ve explored some form of collaboration with the Cornwall Conservation Trust, whose Board is alive to the proposition that preserving Cornwall’s human habitat is right up there with preserving the natural environment. We foresee more opportunities to make common cause while pursuing our respective goals.

One of our Parcel Program home owners moved out of town this year, and we were fortunate to find a new occupant within a month, thus ensuring that two students were able to continue at CCS. We are also happy to have two serious applicants for our last empty lots on Dark Entry Road.

The 18 apartments at Kugeman Village are chiefly occupied by long-term residents who identify strongly with Cornwall, supplying both students and staff for CCS and HVRHS. We have enjoyed working with a new Administrator there, Tammy Broderick. Bonney Brook, the 10-unit senior housing complex (by HUD, out of CHC) runs smoothly under its own Board, chaired by Will Calhoun, and ably administered by Heidi Kearns. Both of these establishments, run by different management companies, are consistently full, with sizable waiting lists.

Board members have been participating in the preparation of P&Z’s new Town Plan, lending their experience to the Housing section and bringing ideas back to the CHC Board. The same reciprocity occurs at the quarterly meetings of the Regional Housing Council of the Northwest Hills Council of Governments. Here housing practitioners representing 12 towns in the NW corner exchange stories on what is working and what still needs doing. These sessions are guided by the tireless and inventive Jocelyn Ayer of NHCOG, and often attended by other hyper-experienced professionals from the world of affordable housing.

The Board was sadly diminished by the loss of Marie Prentice, who, alternating with Tim, had been a member ever since the CHC first opened its infant eyes. To everyone’s delight, Paul Prindle rejoined the Board after a gap of 10 years. Another new member, though by no means unfamiliar with either Kugeman Village or the Parcel Program, is Brigitte Schmidt-Geyselaers, who brings us the singular viewpoint of a consumer of services.

A special vote of thanks goes to the Board of Selectmen, the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Board of Finance for their constant and productive support. We are always amazed to hear from other groups in the region of their struggles for understanding, much less backing, from such important working partners.

Ginni Block  Will Calhoun  Margaret Cooley  Bill Fairbairn  Beth Frost
Paul Prindle  Brigitte Schmidt-Geyselaers  Kate Ward  Wayde Wolfe
2017 - 2018 Annual Report of The Cornwall Library

Your library fared well during fiscal year 2018. Building on our practice of tight expense management, we found new savings in switching insurance providers and replacing an under-utilized service with one produced in-house, the weekly new acquisitions email. Those savings enabled us to open on Sundays. The Annual Appeal, the Town Grant, the Rose Algrant gift, the Labor Day Weekend Art Sale, and Books and Blooms were the most significant sources of revenue. With the Library’s endowment bolstered by solid performance in the markets and a past bequest from Bee Simont, we invested in a pair of generators which provided the Town with a valuable capital improvement. Funds remaining from 2017-2018 will enable the Library to open on Sundays during the winter in 2018-2019, as last year, to facilitate increased access to the Library.

As the Town gathering place, our library offered numerous activities and services:

- 13,376 books, ebooks, and videos loaned
- “Books & Blooms” annual benefit with a talk by Lynden Miller and tours of four gardens
- "Dancing Under the Stars” Dinner Dance featuring Bob Parker and The Jive by Five Band
- Labor Day Weekend Art Sale
- Author talks with Jane Garmey, Ted Roth, Andrea Barnet, Johan Winsser, and Caroline Nastro
- Cornwall Conversations with Frederic Jenny and Jonathan Landman
- 7 art exhibitions
- Winter Film Series hosted by John Miller
- Debra Devin’s writing program and Collette Hurst’s watercolor class
- Talks: CT United Nations, Audubon Plants and Birds, Bear Reality, Hobo Reunion, Mystery Detectives, Urban Spaces
- Children’s summer camp, after school activities, and summer reading challenge
- Clean Up-Green Up Day, Boxing Day reading, health care sign up, diabetes class, yoga, Pilates, Zumba, Mah-Jongg, senior luncheons, and knitting groups

A detailed report of income and expenses is available at the Library.

Sincerely,

Simon Hewett
President,
The Cornwall Library
Housatonic Youth Service Bureau  

2018 Annual Report
For the Town of Cornwall

Established in 1991, the Housatonic Youth Service Bureau is a 501(c)3 nonprofit founded to respond to the needs of the children, youth and families living in the Region One School District. The towns we serve include North Canaan, Canaan, Salisbury/Lakeville, Sharon, Cornwall and Kent. Our licensed clinicians provide a variety of services that promote the overall health and well-being of children and youth, ages 3-21, and their families living in our community.

HYSB provides no-cost services to the entire Region One community. Each year, HYSB develops new programs and services to meet the unique needs of each unique community in Region One. Services like our mental health counseling, case management services, referral services, community outreach, youth empowerment programs, the HYSB Summer Internship Program, and other services are free for the youth and families in the town of Cornwall. All of this is made possible through town support and through the giving of generous donors from all six towns, and beyond.

Thanks to your continued support, we are able to provide this broad range of services for free and without income restrictions; an approach that creates an open-door policy for Cornwall families to find support when they need it. HYSB also reduces the burden that transportation issues may bring by having clinicians available in Cornwall Consolidated School and Housatonic Valley Regional High School throughout the school day, as services are needed.

HYSB is invested in improving youth outcomes in the town of Cornwall. Last year, many Cornwall students benefited from our free mental health counseling and group programs. For example, HYSB offered targeted social skills and emotional regulation training for children ages 8-10 at the request of School Administration. By removing barriers to access mental health services and offering enrichment programs that meet the changing needs of the youth in Cornwall, HYSB is providing them with tools to help them become successful community members. HYSB works to support the growth of the local communities by providing Cornwall’s young people with summer internships at local non-profits, which will build their awareness of the opportunities that exist in the local organizations and will contribute to long term community building.

All of our work would not be possible without your generous support. We remain deeply grateful to you for your continued fiscal support and look forward to working as partners to promote the overall health and well-being of Cornwall’s children, youth and families.

Sincerely,

Laurie Collins
Executive Director

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Chore Service – Cornwall Town Report 2018

The Chore Service, founded in 1992, provides non-medical help at home such as cleaning, running errands, yard work, etc., for clients in Canaan, Cornwall, Falls Village, Kent, Norfolk, Salisbury/Lakeville and Sharon. Clients contribute only what they can (if they can) toward the service, and Chore Workers are paid $12.50 per hour for their time. Fundraising, grants, and town contributions make up the difference between what clients can contribute and the cost of providing services.

From July, 2017 through June, 2018, The Chore Service provided services to nineteen Cornwall residents. These 19 families received help with cleaning, errands, and yard work so that they could continue to remain safely in their homes. Six Chore employees who live in Cornwall earned over $5,500 last year. Our federal grant monies that subsidizes services for those age 60 and over is always depleted before the year ends, so we are delighted that the Town of Cornwall continues to contribute to these services.

Here is what a few clients in Cornwall had to say about Chore Service recently:

"I m a huge fan of the Chore Service! Thank you – Thank you – Thank you!!"

"She is young with energy that I no longer have, as much as I used to have. Many thanks!"

"Reliable, very pleasant, intelligent!"

"She’s always pleasant, loves to clean and FUN to be with. Thank you! I really cannot express my gratitude."

As we face shrinking Federal and State grants, we are most grateful for the support of our donors, including the Town of Cornwall, for your generosity.

Thank you!

Pat Wright, Executive Director
Each year, the National Network to End Domestic Violence conducts a ‘Domestic Violence Count’. It is a non-invasive, unduplicated count of adults and children who seek services from domestic violence agencies throughout the country during a single 24-hour period. In the count conducted last year in Connecticut, 1,041 victims were provided support by the 18 domestic violence agencies across the state in a single day. This support ranged from counseling and support groups, to legal advocacy and emergency shelter.¹ Across the board, we have seen increases in hotline calls, victim services such as counseling and court advocacy, and shelter requests.

As devastating as these statistics are, there are several positive observations to report:

- Increasing awareness regarding the pervasiveness of domestic violence and a shifting attitude toward supporting survivors of domestic violence encourages more people to come forward;

- Increasing prevention efforts in schools helps establish healthy behavior patterns early in life; and

- Improved collaboration among service providers (healthcare, police, social services, etc.) facilitates better intervention on behalf of victims and the provision of appropriate services.

As we highlighted in our proposal to the town, Women’s Support Services has focused on promoting coordinated community response (CCR) across our townships. We have been making significant strides in this area and the on-going support from the town has enabled WSS to:

- Foster the dialogue necessary to galvanize community support against domestic violence and abuse. Over 130 businesses are participating in our Main Street Partners program, an initiative designed to promote awareness raising by working with businesses and agencies along the main business thoroughfares in our towns.
Women’s Support Services Annual Report
01 July 2017 – 30 June 2018
Town of Cornwall

- Strengthen our relationships with our partners. WSS has established strong partnerships with Troop ‘B’ and recently opened dialogue with the Resident Trooper from Troop ‘L’ in Kent. We have also presented at numerous venues throughout the northwest corner, and have worked with partners to launch awareness raising among the elderly, Latinx, and LGBTQIA youth communities.

- Elevate our efforts to prevent violence in the first place through our primary prevention activities with young people. We are now active in nearly all elementary and middle schools in Region One, the high school, and most private schools in the broader region, as well as local daycare centers and camps.

During the past year, Women’s Support Services has:

- Provided support services to 684 clients, 453 of whom were new clients. The composition of our new clients includes:
  - 425 adults and 28 children
  - 341 female, 109 male, and 2 transgender adult and youth clients, with 1 unreported client.

- Responded to 343 hotline crisis calls.

- Provided emergency shelter to 7 people.

- Provided criminal court advocacy and support to 452 victims of family violence.

- Conducted hundreds of prevention workshops to children and teens in local schools, daycare programs, and camps.

Thanks to the generosity of the town and its community members, Women’s Support Services is able to provide all of our services confidentially and free of charge. Thank you for your on-going support and commitment.
TOWN OF CORNWALL, CONNECTICUT

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

JUNE 30, 2018

As management of the Town of Cornwall (the “Town”), we offer readers of the Town’s financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the Town of Cornwall exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by $9,489,756 (net position). Of this amount, $4,047,545 (unrestricted net position) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors. Restricted Net Position is $56,382, which is comprised of $34,895 for the Cornwall Endowment Fund, $16,251 for Open Space and $5,236 for the Food and Fuel Fund. The remainder of its net position is invested in capital assets.

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Town of Cornwall’s governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of $3,713,079, a decrease of $389,788 in comparison with the prior year. Of this amount, $1,555,550 is available for spending at the government’s discretion and called the Unassigned fund balance. The Assigned portion is $655,636, the Committed portion is $1,444,780, the Restricted portion is $21,487 and the Nonspendable portion is $35,626. See page 33 of the audit report for details.

- At the end of the current fiscal year, the fund balance for the General Fund was $2,154,454, of which $350,000 has been assigned for the subsequent year’s budget and $246,972 has been assigned for other purposes leaving an unassigned fund balance for the General Fund of $1,556,751 or 23% percent of total General Fund expenditures for 2018.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town’s basic financial statements. The Town’s basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. The report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town’s finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of the Town’s assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating.
Town of Cornwall, Connecticut
Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) (continued)

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the government's net position is changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will result in future cash inflows (revenues) and outflows (expenditures).

Both of the government-wide financial statements present functions of the Town that are principally supported by tax revenues, grants and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The governmental activities of the Town include general government, public safety, highways, sanitation, health and welfare, recreation, and education. The Town does not report any funds that carry-on business-type activities.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 10-11 of the audit report.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds – Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government’s near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government’s near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund Balance Sheet and the governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The Town maintains eight (8) individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund Balance Sheet and in the governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances for the General Fund. The Town also reports the Capital Projects Fund as a major fund.

The Town adopts an annual appropriated budget for its General Fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 12-15 of the audit report.
Town of Cornwall, Connecticut
Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) (continued)

Fiduciary Funds – Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Town’s own programs.

The basic fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on pages 16-17 of the audit report.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 18-35 of the audit report.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government’s financial position. In the case of the Town, assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded liabilities by $9,489,756 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

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<tr>
<td><strong>Assets</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Current and other assets</td>
<td>$4,335,298</td>
<td>$5,006,734</td>
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<tr>
<td>Capital assets, net</td>
<td>$7,783,117</td>
<td>$7,566,286</td>
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<td>Total assets</td>
<td>$12,118,415</td>
<td>$12,573,020</td>
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<td><strong>Deferred outflows of resources</strong></td>
<td>$32,500</td>
<td>$37,917</td>
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<td><strong>Liabilities</strong></td>
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<td>Long-term liabilities outstanding</td>
<td>$2,429,788</td>
<td>$2,752,175</td>
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<td>Other liabilities</td>
<td>$231,371</td>
<td>$524,917</td>
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<td>Total liabilities</td>
<td>$2,661,159</td>
<td>$3,277,092</td>
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<td><strong>Net Position</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Net investment in capital assets</td>
<td>$5,385,829</td>
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<td>Restricted</td>
<td>$56,382</td>
<td>$56,075</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unrestricted</td>
<td>$4,047,545</td>
<td>$4,425,742</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total net position</td>
<td>$9,489,756</td>
<td>$9,333,845</td>
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The restricted portion of the Town’s Net Position represents net position restricted for capital projects and other purposes. The balance of Unrestricted Net Position ($4,047,545) may be used to meet the government’s ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the Town is able to report that all categories of net position increased by $155,911 during this fiscal year. This increase is primarily attributable to principal pay down of bonded debt and the excess of depreciation over additions to capital assets.
## Changes in Net Position

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<td><strong>Revenues:</strong></td>
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<td>General revenues:</td>
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<tr>
<td>Property taxes</td>
<td>$6,310,759</td>
<td>$6,294,103</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unrestricted investment income</td>
<td>70,274</td>
<td>30,968</td>
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<td>Grants and contributions</td>
<td>20,772</td>
<td>43,201</td>
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<td>Other income</td>
<td>36,103</td>
<td>33,550</td>
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<td>Program revenues:</td>
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<td>Charges for services</td>
<td>154,627</td>
<td>135,045</td>
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<td>Operating grants and contributions</td>
<td>708,110</td>
<td>705,140</td>
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<td><strong>Total revenues</strong></td>
<td>7,300,645</td>
<td>7,242,007</td>
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<td><strong>Expenses:</strong></td>
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<td>Governmental activities:</td>
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<td>General government</td>
<td>1,006,345</td>
<td>895,771</td>
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<td>Public safety</td>
<td>479,672</td>
<td>459,980</td>
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<td>Highways</td>
<td>573,988</td>
<td>566,702</td>
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<td>Sanitation</td>
<td>146,618</td>
<td>139,492</td>
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<td>Health and welfare</td>
<td>84,115</td>
<td>58,357</td>
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<td>Recreation</td>
<td>88,633</td>
<td>82,405</td>
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<td>Education</td>
<td>4,556,324</td>
<td>4,629,581</td>
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<td>Debt service</td>
<td>76,475</td>
<td>31,591</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>132,564</td>
<td>122,151</td>
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<td><strong>Total expenses</strong></td>
<td>7,144,734</td>
<td>6,986,030</td>
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<td><strong>Change in net position</strong></td>
<td>155,911</td>
<td>255,977</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Beginning net position</strong></td>
<td>9,338,845</td>
<td>9,077,868</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Ending net position</strong></td>
<td>$9,494,756</td>
<td>$9,333,845</td>
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Governmental activities increased the Town of Cornwall’s net position by $155,911.

Key elements of the activities are as follows: 86.5% of the revenues of the Town were derived from property taxes, followed by 9.7% from operating grants and contributions, 2.2% from charges for services, and 1.6% from other income.
Town of Cornwall, Connecticut
Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) (continued)

Major revenue factors included an increase in collection of delinquent taxes, interest and liens and an increase in fees for services and other revenues.

For Governmental Activities, 64.9% of the Town’s expenses relate to education and repayment of long-term debt for school construction, 9.3% relates to public safety and health and welfare, 8.1% relates to highways and public works, and the remaining 17.7% relates to government, community services, administration and other areas.

Major expense factors for the General Fund remained consistent as compared to the prior year. Major capital expenditures include the replacement of the bridge on Flat Rocks Road, acquisition of a used Grader for the Public Works Department and replacement of the Hammond Beach Docks.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

As noted earlier, the Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds: The focus of the Town’s governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town’s financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government’s net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the Town’s governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of $3,713,079 a decrease of 389,788. 42% of this total amount constitutes Unassigned fund balance, which is available for spending at the government’s discretion.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of the Town. At the end of the current fiscal year, total fund balance of the General Fund totaled $2,154,454, a decrease of $67,465 over the previous year of which $350,000 was assigned for the subsequent year’s budget and $246,972 was assigned for other purposes.

As a measure of the General Fund’s liquidity, it may be useful to compare both Unassigned Fund Balance and total Fund Balance to total fund expenditures. Unassigned Fund Balance represents 23.3% of total General Fund expenditures for 2018.

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The Town ended the year with a $7,535 budget surplus. The revenues exceeded budgeted amounts by $8,620. Overall, the Town’s expenditures were $1,085 more than budgeted amounts principally attributable to Building Inspection costs offset by reductions in Board of Education expenses. Although $200,000 of fund balance was anticipated to be used to balance the budget, none was used.
Town of Cornwall, Connecticut
Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited) (continued)

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

The Town’s investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2018 amounts to $7,783,117 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land and buildings, vehicles, machinery and equipment.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal include upgraded security doors at CCS, bridge replacement on Flat Rocks Road, installation of a fire hydrant in Cornwall Bridge, purchase of a used Caterpillar Grader for the Highway Department and complete replacement of the Hammond Beach Docks principally funded by an appropriation from the Gates Bequest.

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<th>Capital Assets at Year-End (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)</th>
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<td>2018</td>
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<tr>
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<td>Buildings and improvements</td>
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<td>Machinery and equipment</td>
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<td>Total (net of accumulated depreciation)</td>
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Additional information on the Town’s capital assets can be found in Note 4 on page 26 of the audit report.

Long-Term Obligations

The Town has the following obligations:

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<td>General obligation bonds</td>
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<td>Landfill closure</td>
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Additional information on the Town’s long-term debt can be found in Note 7 on pages 31-32 of the audit report.
ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR’S BUDGET AND RATES

- Declining enrollment at Cornwall Consolidated School.
- Capital funding for maintenance and upgrades of all town buildings.
- The potential impact of the State fiscal crisis and its effects on state grants and possible assessments.

These factors were considered in preparing the Town of Cornwall’s budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town’s finances for all those with an interest in the government’s finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Finance Office, Town of Cornwall, P.O. Box 97, Cornwall, CT 06753.

TOWN OF CORNWALL, CONNECTICUT
REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR
JULY 1, 2017 TO JUNE 30, 2018

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Grand List</th>
<th>Outstanding 6/30/2017</th>
<th>Current Levy</th>
<th>Lawful Corrections</th>
<th>Collectible Taxes</th>
<th>Receipt of Taxes</th>
<th>Interest and Liens</th>
<th>Total Receipts</th>
<th>Transfers to Suspense</th>
<th>Outstanding 6/30/2018</th>
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Total $ 349,096 $ 6,290,348 $ 3,965 $ 8,710 $ 6,634,699 $ 6,253,317 $ 37,621 $ 6,200,938 $ 6,452 $ 374,930

See accompanying Independent Auditor Report.
TOWN OF CORNWALL, CONNECTICUT

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018
(With Comparative Totals for the Year Ended June 30, 2017)

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<tr>
<th></th>
<th>General Fund</th>
<th>Capital Projects Fund</th>
<th>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</th>
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<td><strong>Revenues:</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Property taxes</td>
<td>$ 6,283,184</td>
<td>$ -</td>
<td>$ -</td>
<td>$ 6,283,184</td>
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<tr>
<td>Investment income</td>
<td>45,254</td>
<td>21,136</td>
<td>3,884</td>
<td>70,274</td>
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<td>Fees and charges</td>
<td>155,676</td>
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<td>2,291</td>
<td>157,967</td>
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<td>Intergovernmental revenues</td>
<td>695,564</td>
<td>708</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>696,272</td>
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<tr>
<td>Contributions</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>50</td>
<td>29,220</td>
<td>29,270</td>
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<tr>
<td>Other revenues</td>
<td>36,103</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>36,103</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total revenues</strong></td>
<td>7,215,781</td>
<td>21,894</td>
<td>35,395</td>
<td>7,273,070</td>
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| **Expenditures:**    |              |                       |                             |                    |
| Current:             |              |                       |                             |                    |
| General government   | 878,473      | 96,393                | 9,329                       | 984,195            |
| Public safety        | 158,733      | -                     | -                           | 158,733            |
| Highways             | 481,048      | -                     | -                           | 481,048            |
| Sanitation           | 154,843      | -                     | -                           | 154,843            |
| Health and welfare   | 56,004       | -                     | 28,111                      | 84,115             |
| Recreation           | 88,633       | -                     | -                           | 88,633             |
| Education            | 4,377,567    | 24,084                | 283                         | 4,401,934          |
| Other                | 132,564      | -                     | -                           | 132,564            |
| **Total expenditures** | 6,693,246    | 931,889               | 37,723                      | 7,662,858          |

| Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures | $522,535 | (909,995) | (2,328) | (389,788) | (257,595) |

| Other Financing Sources (Uses): |          |           |         |          |          |
| Proceeds from issuance of debt | -        | -         | -       | -        | 1,500,000 |
| Transfers in                  | -        | 590,000   | -       | -        | 647,000   |
| Transfers out                 | (590,000)| -         | -       | (590,000)| (647,000) |
| Net change in fund balances   | (67,465) | (319,995) | (2,328) | (389,788)| 1,242,405 |

| Fund balances, beginning of year | 2,221,919 | 1,708,653 | 172,295 | 4,102,867 | 2,860,462 |
| Fund balances, end of year      | $ 2,154,454 | $ 1,388,658 | $ 169,967 | $ 3,713,079 | $ 4,102,867 |

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.
CORNWALL TRANSFER STATION
24 Furnace Brook Road (route 4) - 860-672-4079

HOURS: Tues., Thurs. & Sat.: 9:00 - 4:30 p.m.
       Sunday: 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.
We can only accept garbage and trash generated IN THE TOWN OF CORNWALL with Transfer Sticker.
Obtain Transfer Sticker from Transfer Station attendants.

   -- NO BULKY WASTE ON SUNDAYS --

RECYCLING: Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection has mandated recycling.

PLACE IN SEPARATE CONTAINERS:
loose & rinsed: bundled in brown bags or tied: loose:
(in shed in container to the left) (outside shed in container to left) (in shed in container to right)
milk cartons newspapers office paper
juice boxes (aseptic) magazines junk mail
metal cans catalogs cereal boxes
clean aluminum foil glass jars with lids
wax milk containers
juice box containers (aseptic)
plastic #1 through #7 (including black)
marked plastic flower pots

We CANNOT accept as recyclables:
   (to be disposed of as household waste) Motor oil, pesticide, herbicide, antifreeze or other
      hazardous material containers
      Unmarked plastic
      Plastic caps or screw tops without symbol
      ALL Styrofoam (except “peanuts”)

PLEASE RINSE ALL CONTAINERS BEFORE RECYCLING

1. CORRUGATED CARDBOARD to be flattened and placed in the cardboard baler to the back
   of the building. Any cardboard larger than 3’ x 3’ must be cut into smaller sizes
2. METAL other than cans goes into the metal bin if space is available.
3. BULKY WASTE accepted only when space available - call first! 860-672-4079 Fees apply. Pay
   as you dump.
4. All Wood, plywood, pressboard goes into bulky waste. Fees apply. Pay as you dump.
   Bulky waste, woods, metal: Please reduce, cut, compact prior to dumping. Max. length 4 feet.

MISCELLANEOUS: Check with attendant. We accept for recycling and/or redistribution:
   Fluorescent light bulbs: compact and tube variety
   Rechargeable batteries: Nickel Cadmium (NiCad) Lithium Ion (Li-ion), small sealed lead
      (’Pb) and Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH) rechargeable Batteries
   Polystyrene peanuts (the packing kind)
   Clean, used clothing in good condition can be placed in the large bin outside the gate
   Waste oil and antifreeze
   Eye glasses
   Books
   Printer cartridges
   Electronics
   Paper egg cartons
   Redeemable glass and plastic bottles
   Plastic bags with recycling symbol
   Paint cans wet with exceptions paint care program see attendant
PLEASE ABIDE BY THE 5 MPH SPEED LIMIT ON ENTERING & EXITING FACILITY.
FEES FOR BULKY WASTE – CASH ONLY BASIS - SEE ATTENDANT BEFORE DUMPING:

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<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Fee</th>
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<tr>
<td>Appliances with CFC &amp; HCFC gases</td>
<td>$13.00</td>
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<tr>
<td>Standard Pick-Up Truck-load</td>
<td>$50.00 (pro-rated for partial loads)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Auto batteries</td>
<td>$5.00 and up</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Automobile tires</td>
<td>$4.00 each</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Light truck tires up to size 825/20 (Tires on rims add)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Shingles</td>
<td>$1.00 each</td>
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<td>$60.00 and up</td>
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BULKY WASTE: Pay as you dump. THE TRANSFER STATION WILL ACCEPT (not on Sundays), "BULKY WASTE" UP TO 2.5 YARDS (a standard pickup load) PER RESIDENCE OR BUSINESS. ONLY NON-HAZARDOUS MATERIALS CAN BE DUMPED. THIS INCLUDES WOOD, FURNITURE, ETC. WASTE MUST BE IN SIZE AND SHAPE ACCEPTABLE TO THE TRANSFER STATION OPERATOR.

DEMOLITION MATERIALS: NOT ACCEPTED ON SUNDAYS

Accepted on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Limit one load per month per residence.
Lumber must not be longer than 4' in length.
For major amounts the rental of a dumpster is necessary.
Shingles/ Sheetrock/Carpets: Make arrangements at Transfer Station prior to disposal. Check with attendant for rate information.

SCRAP METAL: Accepted - See attendant before unloading.

PAINT: Accepted – See attendant before unloading (exceptions apply).

MATTRESSES: Accepted – See attendant before unloading (exceptions apply).

OTHER

YARD WASTE: Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection does not permit the disposal of yard wastes (i.e. leaves, grass clippings) at transfer stations.
Please compost your yard waste, wreaths, plants, animal waste with your kitchen waste of fruit & vegetable peelings. Composting can reduce solid waste by 40%!

BRUSH BURNING: Brush can be burned only with a permit and during low risk weather. Obtain permit beforehand at the Selectman's Office, 9:00 am – 12:00, 1:00 - 4:00 pm Monday - Thursday, 860-672-4959.

BRUSH TO BRUSH DUMP: $25.00 a pick-up load; $50.00 dump-truck load; 5 yard maximum. Prior arrangement is needed to deliver brush to the brush dump at the gravel bank. Call Jim at the Highway Garage at 860-672-6230 Monday-Friday between 7:00 - 7:30 a.m. or 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. Checks for fees charged may be mailed to Selectmen's Office, Town of Cornwall, P.O. Box 97, Cornwall, CT 06753.

LOGS AND STUMPS: Too large to burn and not accepted at the brush dump. Call Supreme Industries in Harrington at 485-0343 or Steve Leining in Sheffield, Massachusetts at (413) 528-8066 for removal or google other possible companies.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: Cornwall's trash is hauled to Hartford to be burned in the CRRA Mid Connecticut Project waste-to-energy facility. This facility generates electricity to power about 45,000 homes and sells that electricity into the power grid. The by-products of this process – ash and non-processable waste – end up in modern lined landfills, but trash-to-energy reduces by 90 percent the volume of material going into landfills. While Cornwall pays $60.50 per ton (in FY 2011) to bring trash to the trash-to-energy plant, it pays nothing to bring its recyclables to CRRA's recycling facility.
In fact, CRRA pays Cornwall for its recyclables. RECYCLE! Save Cornwall's money!